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PREFACE.

After an interval of nineteen years, the Surtees Society issues a fifth volume of Wills and Inventories from the Registry at York. Four of these have been prepared by the Editor. There is ample room for others, and it is to be hoped that the series will be continued. No publications of the Society create a greater interest, and none are so widely and carefully studied.

In these five volumes more than a thousand Wills and Inventories have been printed, either in their entirety or to a very considerable extent. In the opinion of some, a large portion of each Will ought to be published. The resources of the Surtees Society are quite unable to satisfy this demand. Few persons have any idea of the vast number of Wills preserved at York, and it has been thought best to give a selection from these documents, which it would be impossible for any Society to print *in extenso*.

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architecture, and commerce, have been carefully extracted, together with all the curious words which throw so much light upon the old Northern English. It may be thought desirable to publish these notes on some future occasion. They are well worthy of being brought out in this way.

A printed index of the Wills at York would be a great boon to literary enquirers, and of much service to the officers of the Registry. It is to be hoped that some means may be discovered of carrying at least a portion of this scheme into effect.

The Editor begs to thank his old friend, Mr. Hudson, for his kindness, as in by-past years. The mantle of Registrar, so long and worthily worn by Mr. Egerton Harcourt, has very properly been placed upon Mr. Hudson's shoulders. May he long wear it!

J. RAINE.

YORK.

TESTAMENTA EBORACENSIA.

I. THE WILL OF ELIZABETH HATFIELD OF HEDON, WIDOW.

[Reg. Test. viii. 11-12.]

May 19, 1509. Elisabeth Haitfeld * de Hedon, vidua. Sep. in choro eccl. par. de Skeclyng juxta Stephanum Haitfeld, maritum meum, nuper ibidem sepultum. Stephano Potter capellano, ut oret pro anima mea & animabus maritorum, iij s. iiij d. Stephano, Willelmo, et Thomæ Haitfeld, generosis, (cuilibet) vj s. viij d. Matildæ Constable, filiolæ meæ, j par de weshyng toweles de diaper. Matildæ Constable de Thorneton abbay j federbed. Sorori meæ Helenoræ Foster, supprioriss æ de Nonappleton, vj s. viij d. Gerrardo Welles, meo proprio capellano, xlj li. accipiendas de mea lamina vocata *silver-plate*, ut celebret pro me, etc., in eccl. de Skeclyng pro xj annis. Fratribus Carmel. de Hull j calicem arg. post dicti xj anni sint celebrati et expirati, et hoc tempore remanebit cum capellano meo qui pro tempore erit. Ymagini B. M. in eadem domo j par precu-

* The widow of Stephen Hatfield, escheator of Holderness, who died in 1492.

Die Jovis p. f. Assump. B. M. 30th Hen. VI. Robert Haitfeld, of Hatefeld, esq. Sep. in cap. S. Elenæ de Haitfeld. Stephano et Thomæ filiis meis tres togas, viz. unam de scarlett furratam cum martes, aliam de blake of lyere furratam cum martes, et tertiam blodii coloris furratam cum cropes del martes. Rem. to Matilda my wife and John my son. My brother Stephen supervisor. [Pr. Feb. 1.] (Reg. Test. ii. 240 *b*.)

1492, June 18. Stephen Hatefeld, par. Skeklyng, armiger. Dau. Margaret, 24*l*. Cousin Joan, ad maritagium, 4*l*. Res. to wife Eliz.—She ex^{x}. Nepos Tho. Gower supervisor. [Pr. 4th July.] (Reg. Test. v. 412.]

1505, Dec. 3. Antonius Hatfeld de Withornewike, gen. Sep. in choro eccl. B. Albani Martyris de W. Fabricæ eccl. S. Elenæ de Hatefeld j qu. frumenti etc. Stephen, Wm. and Thos. H. Res. to wife. She ex^{x}, and Mr. John H. supervisor. (Reg. Test. Capit. ii. 54 *a*)

1519, Nov. 17. Adm. Margaret H. of Sigglesthorne to Anne, w. of Ralph Constable of Catfoss. (Reg. Test. ix. 150 *a*.)

1520, Nov. 30. Adm. Tho. H. of Drypool, gen., to Dor. H., his widow. (Id. 143 *a*.)

larium arg. cum j cruce superpendente. Elisabet Gudeknape de Hull j broch auri. Johannæ Menvel, filiæ sororis meæ, j federbed, etc. Elisabeth Lydȝerde, filiæ Roberti Lydȝerde de Anleȝby gen. et filiolæ meæ, j federbed. Willelmo Constable, filio Marmaducis Constable militis, *half a dozen qwyssynges* coloris blodii. Exec. prædicti Willelmus Constable et Robertus Lydyerd de Anlesby. Johannes Haitfeld de Magna Haitfeld armiger supervisor.

Prædicto Johanni Haitfeld arm. et uxori suæ ad opus Agnetis Haitfeld, filiæ suæ jun., xl s. Elisabeth Lydȝerd, famulæ Thomæ Grymston arm. quondam famulæ meæ, pro servicio suo, iij s. iiij d. Uxori Thomæ Haitfeld generosi j federbed. Matildæ Constable, uxori Willelmi Constable arm. et filiæ Johannis Haitfeld arm., j zonam arg. et deaur. optimam, coloris nigri. Eccl. par. meæ j *ares-bed*, ea intentione quod quolibet anno die obitus mei cooperuerit super sepulcrum meum et mariti mei, et ad ornamentum sepulcri Domini tempore Paschali et Sacramenti, dum valet et durabit.*

[Pr. 6 June, 1509.]

II. THE WILL OF JOHN ALAYN OF OSSETT.

[Reg. Test. viii. 14 *a*.]

May 13, 1509. John Alayn, of Osset. My saule to God Almightie, our Lady Sent Mary, & all ye fair feliship of hevyn. My best gud to be my mortuary. It is my wyll that my wyff be content with her fefment & her third parte of all my boght landes. It is my wyll that John my son abyde styll upon my fader's hows with my fader; and it is my wyll that William my broder be ther husband, & that thei do well to him for his labur. It is my will that my fader & John my son gif to Alison my doghter xx^{ti} nowbuls unto her mariage, and that she be with my suster Alyson, for she will teche hir sume gude. It is my will y^{t} Robert my broder have at harvest half a quarter rye. Also it is my will y^{t} Elisabeth my suster be well seen to amanges youe. Also, fader, if ye have any trowbull for my boght land, go to M. Sottell, & pray hym to be gud m. to my son and youe, and lett hym have ye ferme of Hammond iij yere. And, father, if my wif be with an other childe, ye must mende her sumwhate. And all other thynges I leve with God & youe, as my trist is in youe. The residue of all my gudes shal be at ye disposicion of John

* This use of ornamented beds was common in Hull and its neighbourhood.

my son, father, by your oversyght: and John my son shal be myn executor; and for Gode's sake, rule all wisely as I have done, & ȝe shall have moch menske * thereof.

III. THE WILL OF DAME ELIZABETH GREYSTOCK, WIDOW OF SIR JOHN VAVASOUR, KNT.

[Reg. Bennet, at Somerset House.]

May 14, 1502. Dame Elizabeth Graystocke,† widowe, late the wyfe of Sir John Vavasour knyght. To be buried in the chapell of our Lady, in the north side of the same chapell, as nygh unto the ymage of our Lady as conveniently may be, in the church and monastery of Sainte Elyne w^t^in Bisshoppesgate in London. To the high auter in the parisshe churche of St. Elyn, where nowe I am parisshener, xx s. A preest to say daily Masse, in our Lady chappell for x yeres for my soule, betwene our Lady Masse & the High Masse, &, after he hath saide Masse, to say a commemoracion of our Lady & of *Requiem* w^t^ *De profundis*, for my soule, my fathir & mothir soules & all Christen soules. I bequeth my silver bacyn & ewer to the Priores and Covent of Sainte Elyn, & they to doo *Dirige* & *Masse of Requiem* ons every yere for my soule for x yeres; & aftre the said x yeres, they to saye for me a lowe *Dirige* and a lowe *Masse of Requiem* for ever. I bequeth my tablet of golde to our Lady of Lincoln, & duringe the x yeres to have for *Dirige* & *Masse* iiij d. I bequeth my pece & cover of silver & gilte with okyn levys & xl s. to the Priour & Covent of Thornham, to pray specially for my soule. To their high awter vj s. viij d. To the abbey of Kyme xl s., to th'entent that they pray specially for my soule & my father & mother soules, whose bonys resteth there w^t^ theym. To my brother, Robert Tailboys, iiij mark. To my suster Mawde Turwit my cheyne & crosse of gold. To my cosyn Agnes hir doughter my colour of golde & xx mark to hir mariage. To Anne Constable, to hir mariage, xx mark. To Sir John Aston my pece w^t^ the cover silver & gilte havinge in the bottom a shelde enamelled w^t^ iij owles. To Kateryn Hawte x mark. My housholde stuffe to be solde, & the money & the residue of my good to be dispoased for my soule & all Christen soules in doynge of Masses, acquitinge of pouer prisoners oute of prison, relevinge of ympotent people, blynde,

* *i.e.*, honour, or credit.

† A daughter of Sir Robert Talboys of Kyme and widow of Sir John Vavasour, Justice of the C. P., whose will is printed in Test. Ebor. iv. 89.

and lame, & in other dedes of mercye & charitie. Ex^{rs}. Sir John Aston, preest, Kateryn Hawte, & (*blk.*), & Maister Priour of Thorneolm supervisour.

[Pr. 16 July, 1509.]

IV. THE WILL OF ALISON CLARK OF YORK.

[Reg. Test. Dec. & Capit. Ebor. ii. 82.]

July 5, 1509. Alison Clark of the Citie of York, wedow. My bodie to be buried w^{t}in the cathedral church of Sainct Petur of York befor the ymage of our Blissed Lady, betwix Sainct William tombe and Haxay gray, als nere my husband, William Clark, as may be conveniently. I wooll that the seggerstons have for a solempne peill reyngynge acoreding to the discrecion of my executours.—To the parich church of More Munkton xxvj s. viij d. to by a chalys w^{t}, and a fyne curchiff for a corprax, vj yeredes lyne choth of iiij d. the yerd for oon albe, and a vestiment, the price of xiij s. iiij d. . . . To Margaret, my doghtor, a pare of beddes of corall of cxxxxx w^{t} gawdys of silver and gilted, a fore basyn of mystiltyne, a standing peice of silver di. gilt w^{t} a coverynge, a silver salt w^{t} a coveryng, and my grett masour. To my newoy, Sir Thomas Pilley,* to his exhibucion, fyve marc. To my son Hugh a pece that M. Guye Willistrope laid me in pleige. I wit to Sir John, my prest, y^{t} singes for me, iiij yerdes cloth to a gown. To Sir Thomas Pilley iiij yerdes of violet to be hym a gowne, y^{t} is in my hous. To Mr. William Wright the younger my whit nut w^{t} the coveryng. I wit to Wheldrak kirk a cowe price viij s. I wit my best beddes of corall w^{t} silver gawdies gilted to Corpus Cristi sheren to be an onowrment yerunto; and I giff the bruche of gold at the same beddes to Sainct William hed. Also I wit an old noble to be disposed abowt the onowrmentes of the holy man, Buschop Scrope. I wit to a preist to syng for my soull, my husbandes' and my childers' soullys, for a yere sold, vij marc. To everie closter of the iiij orders of Freers v s. And I will thay come w^{t} thar crosses to my buriall before me. I will have on obbit in the cathedrall church of York for my soull, for the soullis of William Clark, William Doddington,† Alison that was his wiff before me, and for the

* He was a priest at Rotherham.

† 1 Apr. 1492. Willelmus Dodyngton, nuper apparator domini Archiepiscopi Ebor. Sep. in eccl. S. Mich. de Berefrido prope sepulcrum Aliciæ nuper uxoris meæ. Quatuor Ordinibus Fratrum Mendicantium civ. Ebor. duas petras casei;

saullis of Herry Potter and my childer and his. Also I will have my *Derege* in my house, and yerto be had comfettes, sugir plattes, and suckittes, and I will my nebours frome Stanegait ende to Bothome bar be at my *Derige* and at dener; and at Mr. Perot be at the same dener; and at tharbe skallapis of mayne breid, and at the poore be well and honestly served as the richar to the valour of x s.; and at xx s. worth of farding breid be delt to poore pepell. Also I will have my obet *Mase* solemplely songe and at yt y^e^ *Mase* be of the gloriouse Assump cion of our Ladie. And I wit to evere prest being at my said *Masse* and *Derige* iiij d. and to evere clark in surples ij d., and to the parich clark and onder clark y^r^ full wages. Also I will have the day of my buriall a trentall of *Masses* w^t^in my parich church, if preistes may be gottyn theder, and els in other plaisses wher it may best be done. Also I will that yer be a holl brewing of ale yeiven to my customers after the quantitie of thar tonnyng in a woke. To the personage a standing peice of ye valour of xl s. I wit to Sir Richard mownk of Mowntgraice oon of the best of the iij alter clothes. To our Ladie gild vj s. viij d. To Sainct Nicholas and Sainct Kateryn gildes vj s. viij d. Also I woll that a peice be delivered to Sainct Leonard y^t^ is in pleige for xx s. and thay for to syng for my soull *Masse* and *Derige*. I wit vj s. viij d. to help to pave the cawse be side Sainct Antony's in the Horsfare. To Margaret, my dowghter, my brewin wessell. To Sir Robert Stoxley a ringe of gold. To Sir Thomas Pilley my wedding ringe and a overse bed. To Sainct Antoin iij s. iiij d. And to the Mowntgraice, to the beilding of a glasse window, x s. To Sir John, my chapleyn, a bed to lie in. Also I will have a thorgh ston of marbill to be laid uppon my grave and als nere as it may be to my husband, William Clark, grave, and it to have his name and myne set in it grawyn in metall.

Mr. William Wright,* yonger, notarie, my son Hugh Hulley, and Sir Thomas Pilley, my newoy, executours.

[Pr. 7 Aug. 1509.]

et domibus Leprosorum in suburbiis Ebor. Johanni Robinson unum Primarium. Res. Aliciæ uxori meæ. (Reg. Test. Dec. & Cap. ii. 11.)

* William Wright of Yorke, the elder, notarie. To be buried in our Lady where of Belfray as neighe my wiffe tumbe as may be. To Mr of Corpus Christi gild xij d., and to every on of the kepers vj d. if so be that thay come to my buriall Messe. I wit my Pascall caundall to the kepers of our Lady light according to a draught in pauper drawen of lait of my awn hand. I wit Nane to good Mr Metcalf and his wiff & ten marc' I wit to hir, and I will thay have it & frely I gyve hit to thame. To Mr John Metcalf a gold ring plegid to me for xiij s. iiij d. To Emy on hart of gold of xx s. price or nigh. To my cosyn Mauld Metcalf a pare of corall beides. To my cosyn Sir Edmund Metcalf the best booke that I have at his chesing: and the best booke next to my

V. THE WILL OF ALISON SOTHILL OF DEWSBURY.

[Reg. Test. viii. 176.]

July 23, 1509. Alison Sothill * of parish of Dewsburye. First, gif my saule to God Almyghtye, our Lady Saynt Mary, & all the feir companye of hevyn, & my body to be buried in the kirk or the kirke yerd, & my best whik goode to be my mortuarie. To my son Thomas a gold ryng that hath *Jhesus* graven in hyt, & an other ryng with a diamond in hit, & a long chist of cipresse tre, & a cupeburde that standes by hytt in my parlor. To my doghter-in-lawe Margery his wiff an other cubbord. To my god-doghter, Elisabeth Sothill, a broch of gold and my litill girdill. To my sonn-in-lawe William Amyas a lityll goblett of silver with a coveryng, ij of my best sylver spones, a ryng of gold havyng Sent John Baptist graven in hit. To my sonn, Sir Henry Sothill, ij of my best silver spones. To my son Robert Sothill † ij silver spones. I will that every on of my sonnes-in-lawe, Peter Barston, John Beamond, Thomas Seyvell, have ichon of theme a sylver spone to pray for me. To my doghter, Jenet Trigott, an Englishe boke of oure Lady & Sent Barnard. To my doghter, Elizabeth Amyas, a gilted gyrdyll that hath a cheyne at hit. To my doghter Margarete Barston my brodest gilted girdill. My doghter Alise Beamond to have my third blake gowne. To my doghter Effame Seyvell

cosyn Martyn. To Janet Metcalf xij d. & to Barbera, hir mother beides and the secund belt that was laid in plege be Thikpenny to me. To John Wright my land at Skipwith—rem. to Edward my sone. To John my sone my land at Bushopthorp, & Edward to have tharin a competent luging both at Skipwith & Bushopthorp. I charge my ex^{rs}, as thay will answer afore God, that thay suffer all such powr folke as awe to me corne and money. [Pr. 10 Jan. 1522-3.] (Reg. D. & C. ii. 135.)

* This is the widow of John Sothill of Dewsbury, who died in 1500. (Test. Ebor. iv. 168.)

† This is, I conjecture, Robert Sothill of Haslewood, lawyer, whose Will was proved at York on June 22nd, 1526. "I make my wife, Wm Babthorp gen., & Thos Sotehill gen. ex^{rs}. My body to be beried in Tempill churche emonge my fellowys there. Where my wif is nowe with childe, if it be a son, to have xl li.: if a doughtour, xl markes, proviso that if she marye agayne, or refuse this saide Will, that then she be expulsed of this saide Will & the exempsion therof, & every of my saide daughtours to have xl markes. The said William Babthorpe to have all my bookes, my sattan dublett & a layer of silver. To the said Thomas my best geldyng. To Richard Palmes my gowne lyned with chamlett. To Edmund, the pothecary his man, my olde furryd gowne. Sir Wm Myddilton. Sir Wm Myddilton knt supervisor. Witness George Candishe, Richard Pollard & Ric. Palmes gentilmen & Wm Babthorpe." (Reg. Test. ix. 342.)

George Candishe must be George Cavendish the gentleman-usher and biographer of Cardinal Wolsey.

my best violet gowne. My doghter Dame Kateryn Sothyll to have a chafer that belonges to my parlour. I will that those wymen that shall wynde me have every on of theyme viij d. wether thei be ij or iij. Also I will that every on of those iiij men that shall beyre me to the kirke have iiij d. I make Thomas Sothill, William Amyas my son-in-lawe, & Sir Henre Sothill my son, the vicar of Birton, myne exrs. I will that Peter Barston have my termys in the tyth of Dewsburye I will that peny dole be dalt the day of my beriall, & a trentall of Messes to be saide the same daie, and a dyner for gentilmen and prestes; & the residue of my godes unbequest to have a prest to syng for mee as fare as it will stretche. For the tythinges that I have forgotten, xx d.

[Pr. 21 Aug. 1509, adm. to exrs.]

VI. THE WILL OF WM. BARTON OF YORK.

[Reg. Test. viii. 186.]

August 20, 1509. William Barton of the citie of Yorke. To be beryed in the kirke namyd Crisechurch, nere unto the holy water fatt, as it may best be. To the hye awter one awter-cloth of viij d. a yerde, with on wasshyng towell. To Mr William Wright, my broder in law, on stott. To Thomas Abnay & hys wif one pakkyng of white, & my bow & arrowes, with on dagar which he gaf me. To William Jameson on of my swerdes that he will chose. To Richard Fosgrave, my feloy, on bag of blue tuke. To the rode lyght ij s. iiij d. to make up xiij s. iiij d. of the xj s. that remaynys in my handes of the stok of the saide rode lyght. To the boy that I fynd of almos for God sake xiij s. iiij d. with on competent reyment, to be put to a crafte, if he will go therto. To lytyll Byly Malson a cote & a peire of showne. The residue to Agnes my wiff.

[Pr. 30 Aug.]

VII. THE WILL OF HUMPHREY MANERS OF YORK, GEN.

[Reg. Test. viii. 63.]

Oct. 27, 1509. Humfray Maners* of Yorke, gentilman. To be buried in the Mynster afor the ymage of Seint Gregory

* I cannot connect this gentleman with the baronial house of Manners, to which he was probably allied. There are some notices of other persons in York with the same surname in the Register of the York Corpus Christi Guild.

of Pytye, if it may be hadde, paing therfor vj s. viij d. I bequieth v li. wax to be made in v sergies to brynne about my herse the day of my buriall, to be born with my body unto the Mynster dore, & then iij of theym to go w^t^ the curate of my parish chirch there to remayn, & the oder ij to remayn still in the Mynster. I will that the maister of Corpus Christi gilde & kepars of the same be at my buriall, & the maister to have vj d. & every kepar iiij d. To Sibill my wiff a standing pece covered dymy gilt, and oon coverd salt of silver demy gilt of my porcion; &, if she spare the pece unsold, I will that John my sonne have hit after hir decesse. To Janet my doghter xx s. & xx marc according to her fader's (*sic*) Will. To John, my sonne, a pece which I had of Thomas Felton of Hull in partie of payment of certeyn dett; and, if he borow the said pece, then I will that John my sonne have my best coverd salt of silver, or els the money that it lyyth fore of my porcion. To Thomas Maners, my broder, my best gown next my mortuary. To Agnes, my sister, a gown, or els vj s. viij d. To John, my sonne, ij ringes of golde, that is to say a hoope price xlvj s. viij d., and anoder with a saphire; and all my harnes. The residew to Sibill my wiff & John my sonne, whome I make my executours, & Mr. William Nelson alderman & William Tesh supervisours.

[Pr. 14 Feb. 1510-11, adm. to ex^r^.]

VIII. THE WILL OF HENRY VAVASOUR OF HASLEWOOD, ESQ.

[Reg. Test. ix. 276.]

Nov. 14, 1509. Henry Vavasour off Hessellwode, esqwyer.* To be buriede in the chappell of Hessellwode nye the tombe off my wiffe, whos soull God assolle: and iff it happen me to decesse in Lincolnshier, then I will my body be buriede in the abbay off Louthe parke, afore an ymage of our Lady, wher iiij prestes be syngyng, and foundede by myn auncestres, that I, my wiffe and my childeren may be praede for for ever. To Saynt Peter warke at Yorke v s. I will that thare be a m^l^ Messez saide for my soull and my wiffe soulle, as shortly as may be after my decesse. I will that ther be xx li. of money destribute to poore pepull the day of my beryall, and that there be xiij gownes of blake clothe gyven to xiij pore men to pray for my soull the same day. I will that ther shalbe a thrugh

* A son of Sir Henry Vavasour of Haslewood, whose will has been already given. He married Elizabeth dau. Sir John Everingham of Birkin.

Mr. Vavasour died on the 31st of October, 1515, leaving John Vavasour, Esq., his son and heir, æt. 21.

stone off marbell, of the price of iiij markes, laide uppon the tombe of my wiffe. I will that the chappelle of Allhallowes in Estburne be beylded with my goodes by myne executors, of viij postes, conveniently with a chambre in the ende, and that all the leede and stuffe tharoff goo towarde the beldyng of the same. I will that all my servantes, the whiche abide wt me at the tyme off my decesse, shall have all ther wages that I aught theym; and, over that, every yoman to have vj s. viij d., and every ploughman v s., to pray for my saulle. And iff it happen me to be in dett to any persone or personȝ at the day of my decesse, than I will that my feoffeȝ shall suffer myn executors to have off th'issuȝ of my lands as myche monney as shall content all my saide dettes which cane be dewly and trewly provede that I ought to any man. To ychone of my executors fyve marcs. The residew to be devydede emonges my children by the discrecion of myn executors. I make William Farfax, swyer, sergant at the lawe, William Scergill knyght, John Gylliott knyght, Thomas Everyngham sone off Jhon Everyngham knyght, George Evers, Thomas Farefax of Walton squier, James Roos of Dyghton esqwier, Christofer Preston squier, Bryane Stapylton off Wighall squier, Johne Lake, Henry Butteler, Sir William Byngley preste, and William Warde to be myn executors; & William Gascoign squier, son of Sir William Gascoyng knyght, surveyor.

[Pr. 28 Feb. 1515-16, adm. to William Scargill and Thos. Fairfax kts., Chr. Preston esq. Geo. Evers not. publ. Hen. Buttler and Wm. Byngley, exrs.]

IX. THE WILL OF MARMADUKE THWENG.

[Reg. Test. viii. 38 *a*.]

Dec. 10, 1509. Marmaduke Thenge* of Rotesse. To be buryed in the parish chirch of Hooton. To the werke of the seid chirch, for reparyng and making of new stalles theryn, xxvj s. viij. I wit to the seid chirch warke for iij seargies of a li. a pece for to burn for ever wtin the seid chirch upon the hooly daies in service tyme xxvj s. viij d.; oon afore the crucifix; oon afore our Lady of pytie; and the oder afore Seint Andrew. To the Trinite gilde iiij quarters malte. I wite for oon canopie to the high aulter iij s. iiij d. For wax to be brynde at my buryall xviij d. I wit v yerdes of lyn cloth for ij aulter-clothes in the chapell at Rottese. To the same chapell, for a Messebuke and oder ornamentes, xl s. To a preist to sing for my

* The Thwengs have left very few memorials of themselves in the York Registry.

soule by oon hole yere in the seid chirch & ij daies in the woke in the chapell at Rotese, iiij li. To Elsabeth Thwynge a silver spoon. To Sir William Thwynge, my sonne, oon yong gray hors stoned. To Richard, my soone, oon horse-myln, the helme tymber, my male-hernes, my best salet, oon bille. To the Priour of Gissebrugh on he swan. To Richard, my son, a pare of swanes. To Sir Robert Cunstable knyght a pair of swanes. To Sir Marmaduke Constable knyght oon he swan. To Alison my doghter iij silver spoones. To Richard, my son, a pair of corall bedes, my best bonet wt a rose of silver. My clooke wt ringges to Richard Sampson. To litle Elsabeth my sleveles jacket. To my sister Matilde iij s. iiij d. To Alison my suster a crucifix of silver. To Issebell my suster a silver ryng. To Elsabeth my suster a kurchif. The residue, soothly, to Bartholomewe my son & Diones my doghter. They exrs.

[Pr. 19 Apr. 1510.]

X. THE WILL OF JOHN WATTON.

[Reg. Test. viii. 59 *a*.]

Dec. 14, 1509. I John Watton * makes my witworde in this maner. First, I wit my soul to Almyghtie God, our Lady Seint Mary, and all the company of hevyn; my body to be buried in the chapell of Terryngton befor Kyng Herry. I wit my best goode to my corse presand. I gif to Lanslay, my son, all my arament for my body, except divers close which I will gif wt myne oune hande. I wit to the seid Lannslot a kist wt all buckes and thinges therin, and his hole childe parte wtout enny trouble. To Agnes, my wiff, vj silver spoones for terme of hir liff, and, after hir decesse, to Lannslot and Jenet Bekwith. I wit x s. for Seint Gregory trentall to be said for me: also vij Messes of Seint Gilles and v of the Hooly Goost. I wit for forgetten tithes xij d. Also I will that a herse be set upon me and a sergh to be lighted everey Sonday for the space of vij yere. To the chapell that I lye in xx d. To the covering of the font xx d. To Roger Bekwith a gown cloth price vj s. viij d. To Jenet Bekwith my part of the good. I make Agnes my wiff and Lannslay my son to be my trew executours, and Herry Beckwit supervisor. Also, a hoole in the brigge toward Allerton to be mendid on my cost. To the Freres of Allerton,

* The simple and instructive will of a countryman. His mention of 'Kyng Herry' at Terrington is a touching allusion to the popular worship of Henry VI. lasting into the time of the Tudor kings.

Richmund, and Yarom, ich of theym xij d. to doy *Dirige* and *Messe* for me. To Margaret Goislie of hir oune good ij s. Thes witnes Sir William Smyth, Sir William Barkar, and George Smyth, w^t^ oder.

[Pr. 15 Nov. 1510, adm. to ex^rs^.]

XI. THE WILL OF JOHN COPLEY, ESQ., OF BATLEY.

[Reg. Test. viii. 28 *a* and 230 *b*.]

Dec. 22, 1509. John Coplay * of the parishe of Batlay. To be buried in the church garth of Batlay nye my fader & moder. To on vyse makyng on Estur daie in the mornyng to the sepulcre iij s. iiij d. All the landes which my fadir Lionell Coplay hath given to my too breder, Richard & Herry, with my consent & grant, them to have it duryng their lyves. To my wif her joyntre with her dowrie duryng her lyff. To William Coplay, my yonger son, Warmefeld, Snydall, Hillome, and Potirton duryng hys liff. To the mariage of ich of my iiij doghters, Anne, Jenett, Isabell, and Elisabeth, c marc, so that the marie & be guyded after the feoffers & myn executores. To Jane Portyngton, doghter of John Portington my sonne in lawe, xx li. To Mr. Thomas Coplay, my broder, an ambelyng horse which I rode upon myself. To my broder Richard an ambelyng horse. To my broder Herry † on gray trottyng horse.

* A few notices of the family of Copley of Batley may be of value. In vol. iv. pp. 46–50 are the wills of the testator's grandfather and uncle.

Lionel Copley, the testator's father, according to the Visit^n^ of 1584, married Joan dau. John Thwaites of Lofthouse; or, according to Mr. Hunter, Jane d. Thos. Thwaites of Denton (South Yorkshire, i. 51). On May 26, 1508, the will of Lionel Copley of Batley, esq., was proved (not copied) at York, and adm. was granted to Henry Copley, his ex^r^. (Reg. Test. vii. 37 *a*.)

The testator married Agnes, dau. of Sir Geoffrey Pigot of Clotherham near Ripon, and she and her children are mentioned in the wills of her mother (Test. Ebor. iv. 6) and of her brother (Ibid. 213). The testator made a feoffment of his estates on Dec. 20, 1st Hen. VIII., which is appended to his will. The feoffees were "Thomas Wortlay knyght, John Norton th'elder, knyght, John Norton the yonger, esquyer, Herry Vavasor of Hesilwod, Thomas Lynlay of Lynlay, Thomas Sothill, Christofer Eltoftes of Rishworth & Herry Seyvell esquyeres, & Richard Coplay and Robert Herrison gentilmen." The directions are already specified in the will.

† On Dec. 15, 1511, he makes his will:—Herry Coplay, gentilman, par. Batley. To be buryed in the kirk yerd of Batley at the feet of my brother, John Coplay, lately departyed, neyr my fader & moder, of whos soulys God have mercy. My best horse, on saddill, etc., oon swerd, for my mortuarie. To Wm Copley, my nevew, oon rede satten dublet. To my neyce Anne Copley oon fether bed. Rawfe Savell. I will y^t^ all such goodes, as rystes in my lady my suster's handes of myne uncle William's bequestes, go to the execucion of my will. To my nece Agnes Flemyng oon girdill. To my broder Richard my chalice. My nevew John Copley, my brother Richard Copley, and John Browne my ex^rs^. [Pr. 22 Apr. 1512.] (Reg. Test. viii. 91 *a*.)

To my wiff all my goodes here & att Thorpe Awdlay. To John my son viij oxen & iiij kie, if he be of good demeaner unto my wif & the feoffers, &, if the mater go furth betwixt me & Sir Richard Wodrof, I will that all such goodes as Sir Thomas Wortlay awes me I gif it to my iiij doghters' mariage. I make myn executours Annes my wiff & William my son, at her pleasur.

[Pr. 9 Jan., adm. exr.]

XII. THE WILL OF SIR JOHN GILLIOT, KNT., ALDERMAN OF YORK.

[Reg. Test. viii. 32 *b* et seqq.]

Dec. 28, 1509. John Gilliot,* knyght & alderman of the citie of York. I bequeth & commend my saule to Almyghty God my Saviour, and to the prayers of the glorious Virgyn Saynt Mary His modir, Sainct John Baptist, an all holy Seyntes, Apostylles, Martirs, Confessours, & Virgyns, to pray for me. And I bequeth my body to be buried in a chapell of

* A will abounding with good and charitable gifts, which will be read with pleasure.

The testator was a most distinguished citizen of York. He was son and heir of John Gilliot, Lord Mayor in 1464 and 1474, and became Chamberlain of the city in 1482; Sheriff in 1484–5; on May 22, 1487, he was elected Alderman; M.P. for the city Oct. 1487, and Lord Mayor in 1490 and 1503. In 1500–1 he received the very high honor of being created a Knight of the Bath; and in July 1503 he took a conspicuous part in entertaining the Princess Margaret when she passed through York on her way to Scotland to join her royal husband, King James IV.

In 1485 and 1486 and in 1500–1 Sir John was Master of the Merchants' Company; on Jan. 15, 1488, he founded an obit in the church of St. Leonard's Hospital, and it is plain to see from his will and other evidences that he was the most conspicuous person in York of his time.

His first wife was a lady whose Christian name was Catherine; his second was Maude, dau. of Sir Henry Vavasour of Haslewood.

Sir John Gilliot does not lie beside his father in his own parish church, but in the neighbouring church of St. Saviour, to which he was a noble benefactor. His last will is given at full length, and is a striking picture of the man, his religious feelings and life.

The inquisition after his death was taken on October 2, 1510, from which it appears that he died on February 22 previous, seized of lands in Bishopthorpe, Fulford, Towthorpe, Yapham, Meltonby, and Kelfield, and that Wm. Gilliot was his son and heir, being of the age of twenty-one.

Sir John's father, John Gilliot, merchant, was free of the city in 1439; Chamberlain in 1446; Sheriff in 1452–3; Lord Mayor 1464 and 1474. In 1442 he was adm. into the Merchants' Guild on a payment of 30*s*., of which confraternity he became the Master in 1459–60, and 1476. On December 30, 1474, whilst he was Mayor, Archbishop Lawrence Booth allowed him to have a private oratory in his house. (Reg. L. Booth, 167.)

John Gilliot mar. Joan dau. of John Lancaster. Will d. 17th pr. 27th Sept. 1480. To be bur. in the high choir of his par. church of All Saints on the Pavement.

new to be beildyt in the parishe kyrk of Sainct Saviour in the citie of York wt the body of Dame Mawde my wiffe, where myn executours thynkes most expedient. I bequeth for my mortuarie as the custome of the citie is; and to the parson of All-halows uppon the Payment, for my forgotyn tithes, iij li. And to the parson of Sainct Saviour kyrk, for my forgotyn tithes, iij li. I bequeth vij dosan wax to be made in vij serges to birne about my body the day of my beriall, & soe dayly to birne about my herse xxx daies, by all which xxx daies I wille *Masse* and *Dirigie* be done wt note wt xiij preistes where my body lieth, and ichon of those prestes to have every day iiij d. I bequeth viij dosan clene wax to be made in xiij torchys to birn abowt my body duryng the said xxx daies in time of *Messe* and *Dirige*; and myn executours to agre wt the parson of Saynt Saviour's kirk for the wax. I bequeth xiij gownes to be made of gud blak & lynyd wt white, & in every gown wt a hoode iiij yerdes, to be yeven to xiij pore folkes that shal beyre the said torchys; and to every of theym v d. for every day, & they and evere of theym to say fyve tymes our Lady Sawter wtin the daie & nyght evere of those xxx daies. To the parishe preist of Al-halows iij s. iiij d.: to the parish clerc xij d.: to the undirclerc vj d.: and to every othir preist of the same kirk, to pray for my saule, xij d. and to every parish preist seculer in every kirk and chapell wtin the citie of York and subarbys of the same, to do a *Dirige* and a *Messe* wt note, wt ryngyng of bellys, the morne next aftir my beriall, every parish preist vj d. & evere othir prest iiij d.; & to every parishe clerc for ryngyng iiij d.; & to every undir-clerc ij d. to pray for my soule, the saules of my fadir, my modir, of Katerine & Mawd my wifes, & of my childre saules & all Cristen saules; and to the parishe clerc of Sainct Saviour's kyrk duryng the said xxx daies for ryngyng at *Dirigie* & *Messe* evere day iiij d.; & to the undir-clerc ij d.; & I charge myn executours to offer every day in the honour of the Fadir, the Sonne, & the Holy Gost, iij d. duryng the said xxx daies. To be yeven to pore folk the daie of my beriall & at my viij day xx li., & more money, if nede require. To every man and woman in evere masyndew wtin the said citie & suburbys of the same, ij d. To every man & woman in the foure leper howsys iij d. To every prisoner wtin the said citie, to pray for me, iij d. To every man & woman lieng bedreyn & may not goo iij d. I bequeith fyvescore blak gownes & lynyd wt white, and in every gown iij yerdes, to be yeven to fyvescore pore men & women of my cost, where most nede & charitie is. I bequeth fyvescore lyn & herdyn shertes to be yeven to fivescore pore men & women bedreyn, & othir poure folkes of ye citie & cuntrey, where most

nede & charitie is. To the Grey-freris, to syng xxx Messes for me & all my frendes' saules, that is to saie the first x *de nomine Jhesu*, the secund x *de quinque vulneribus Jhesu Christi*, the thrid x *de Corpore Christi*. (*Blk.*) To the Freres of the Toftes, to syng likewise xxx Messes of All Seyntes, Apostyls, Martyrs & Confessours, xl s. To the White Freres, to syng xxx Messes of our Lady, the Virgyns and Angels, xxxvj s. viij d. To the Freres Austens to syng xxx Messes of our Lady, the Apostyls,& *Requiem* xxvj s. viij d. To the Priorisse & Covent of Clementhorp to syng a *Messe* & a *Dirige* w^t note x s.: soe that non of thees places aforenamyd for their Messes leyve not thyre Messes of charge which they er bound to. To the Priour & Covent of Seynt Andrews to syng xxx Messes *de Spiritu Sancto*, xxx of our Lady, and xxx *de Requiem* xxvj s. viij d. To the Prior and Covent of Mountgrace to syng for my saule and all Cristen saules xxx Messes of *Requiem* xx s. To the Priour & Covent of the Charterhows of Hulle to syng xxx Messes of *Requiem* for my saule and all Cristen saules xx s. To the Covent and other mynystres w^tin the kyrk of the hospital of Seynt Leonarde's in York, to syng *Dirige* & *Messe* w^t note and lxxxx Messes of *Requiem*, liij s. iiij d., to be dividit emonges theym aftir the discrecion of myn executours, & to the sisters of the same hospital vj s. viij d. To be yeven in mete & drynk w^tin the space of iij yeres to the prisonners in the castel of York iij li., y^t is to saie evere yere xx s.: and to the prisonners in the bisshop prison xl s., that is every of those iij yeres xiij s. iiij d. I bequeth fyfty beddes to the porest men & women w^tin this citie where most nede is; and evere bedde to have a new matres, ij new blankettes, ij new shetes, and a new coverlet, price of every bedde x s. To xl pore madyns toward their mariage, to every madyn vj s. viij d. To be yeven to pore weddit men and women kepyng hows w^tin the fraunches of this citie, where most nede is, x li. To the gilds of Corpus Christi, Sainct Christofre & Sainct George, & Sainct John Babtist, each vj s. viij d. To the gild of Sainct Antony x s. Towards the reparacion of the gild of the Trinitie in Fosgate xl s. To Brian, my servannt, c s. To John Marshall, my prentise, xl s. To Kateryn Anlaby, toward her mariage, xl s. To Agnes Spensar v marc. I bynde & charg all my landes, etc., in Fosgate, to paie yerely to Sir Leonard Wadee, chauntree preist of the chauntre at Seynt Thomas awter in the kirk of Alhalows uppon the Pament, & to his successours for ever, by way of augmentacion of ye same chauntre, iiij marc, & charges myn heires with the payment of the same as they wille answar therfore afore God at the day of dome. To my sonne

Peter * the said landes, etc., to paie the foresaid yerely rent; my gret hows in Coppergate & my landes, etc. in the parish of Alhalows upon the Pament to hym & his heires—to remayn to my sonne Laurence Gilliot & his heires—to remayn to my sonne William Gilliot & his right heyres. To my sonne Laurence Gilliot my gret place in the Middle Water lane w^t^ all my landes, etc., w^t^in the parishe of Sainct Mari in Castilgate, & two tenementes in Fishergate, my landes, etc., in Stayngate; two tenementes in Conyngstrete; a tenement in Monkgate; two tenementes in Criste's parishe, othirwise callyd Trinitie parish in Curia Regis, & all my garthyns in Hundgate. I bequeth cccc li. or more, in money, as nede shal require, to myn executours to purches furth of an abbey or odir sufficient place oon annuitie of vj li. by yere, or ellys to purches othir arrable land, medew & pastur, to the valour of vj li., to be yven to an abbey such as hath sufficient auctoritie of the kyng to take Mortemayn: and if they canne fynd no such abbey nor othir place, then myn executours to purches the landes & hit to make as sure as the canne; and thereof to funde a chauntre in ye new chapel in Seynt Savour kirk, where my body lith, for a chauntry preist to syng for my soule, the soules of my fadir & moder, Kateryn and Mawde my wiffes, the saules of my childre, and al Cristen saules; and every yere to make an obit for theis foresaid saules of a *Dirigie* and a *Messe* w^t^ note of xiij preistes; and every preist to have iiij d., the parishe preist vj d., the parishe clerc iiij d., the undir-clerc iij d. & ye belman, for proclamacion yerelie of ye same obit, iiij d.; and the said chauntre preist to paie al theis, and to fynd yerely ij serges of ij lb. weight to stand and

* July 1525. Petir Gilliott, citezen and marchaunte of the citie of Yorke. To be beried within the parishe church of Sancte Saviour of Yorke in the hyghe where, ny unto my fader and moder. To a preiste, to sing for my saull ther, iiij li. xiij s. iiij d. for thre yeres. I will ther shalbe a trantall of Messes saide and doyn for my saide saull within my parishe church of Alhalouse oppon the Payment the day of my beriall or before. To the iiij Orders of Freres of Yorke, to pray for me & to bryng my body to be beried, xiij s. iiij d. To the churche wardens of Sancte Saviour's xiij s. iiij d. of an annuall rent out of my landes, for an annuall obite for my saull & those of my fader & moder, in givyng brede, chese, spise, and wyne to the parishynners ther so far as the saide xiij s. iiij d. will extende. To Alicie my wif my landes, etc., in Yorke, paying by yere fyve marc to Matild Gilliott my doughtour & heire; she to have the charge of her. My tenemente in the saide parishe of Alhallouse in the holdyng of Nicholes Dicson, barbour, to my wif. My fader in lawe Petir Jackson, alderman. My broder in lawe John Hogeson marchaunte. Mawde & Agnes Chamer my wif doughtours. Nece Eliz. Dawson. To Roberte & Mawde Gilliott, my broder's childer, xl s. To the churchwarke of Alhallouse xx s. To Margarete Jackson, my moder in lawe, ij rialles of golde. My sister Marg^t^ Charlsby. Bro. in lawe Petir Robynson my best gowne bot oon, & my swerde & buckler. Broder William Wakefield my wark day gowne. To my cosyn Miles Newton, the writter herof, xiij s. iiij d. The res. to my wife and dau. Wife ex. (Reg. Test. ix. 324).

birne ovir the herse in tyme of *Dirigie* & *Messe* of ye said yerely obite. I charge myn executours to accompliish & fynnyshe this chauntrie in manner aboune said w^t^in iij yeres next aftir my decease, w^t^oute an opyne & reassonnable cause of lettyng. And in case myn executours cane not purches the kinge's licence for Mortmayn for this land, nor odirwise cannot fynd an abbey nor place havyng sufficient auctoritie to receyve such landes in Mortmayn, then I wille y^t^ the said some of money be imploed, as long as it wille last, to the fyndyng of thre preistes to syng for my saule, the saules of my fader, my moder, my wyffes, my childre, & all Cristen saules: two of the said preistes to syng at Thomas awter in Alhalows of ye Pament, & the thrid to syng in my chapel at Sainct Saviour kirk when it is beildyt, & in the mean tyme he to syng in the same kirk at a side awter: ichon of the said iij preistes to receyve for his stipend every yere c s. I wille that William my sonne & his heires be yevers and patrons of the chauntre, if it may be foundyt at Sainct Saviour kirk—in defaut, it to remayn to my sonne Laurence—my sonne Petir—my dowghter Mawd—my dowghter Margaret—to the parson of the said kirk, and to iiij of the best men of that parishe. I wille that my sonne Peter & his heires be yevers & patrons of a chauntre that Sir Leonard Wade hath at Sainct Thomas awter in the kirk of Alhalous. To emendyng & makyng of hie waies abowt Yorke, where most neid is, xx marc. To William Gilliot, my sonne, xx li. To Laurence and Peter my sonnes (each) xxx li. & they & my doghtours to have their partes holl bisides my legaces. I charge myn executours to content & (paie) to oon Newby of Fenton in recompence for that my fader & I haid certeyn land of his fadir's in morgage by certen yeres, to pray for our saules, xl s. I wille that the iiij ordirs of Freres of the citie come w^t^ their crossys and coventes the daie of my berial & bryng my body to the kirk, & for y^t^ I bequest to every of their places x s. To Sir John Faceby preist x s. To Deynis Brokden, John Craven, & John Dicson (each) vj s. viij d. I yeve to by a tabil of alblaster to the high awter in Sainct Saviour kirk v marc. To the same kirk two copys of russet cloth of gold, sortable as nye as may be had to a vestiment & a cope of cloth of gold which were yeven by on Bracebrig. To Sir Leonard Wade vj s. viij d. To John Broun, my servannt, xx s. To Richard Anlaby, my cosyn, x marc & to my cosyn John Anlaby xl s. I wille that ichon of myn executours, survers, preistes, & servantes have blak gownes the daie of my beriell, of my charge & cost. To ichon of myn executours, for their labur, x marc; to ichon of the surveyers of my testament viij marc; &

their reasonnable expensys & costes. To ichon of my iij sonnes & two doghtours a standyng pece gilt w^t the covering, ichon to have the chose aftir their age. To my sone William my best chyne of gold. To either of my two doghtours, Mawd & Margaret, toward their mariage, xx li. To my cosyn William Anlaby xl s. To Thomas North, tailor, x s. To Elisabeth Richardson, my servaunt, vj s. viij d. To James Bratwhait, child of my kitchyn, iij s. iiij d. To John Pepir & Robert Butre, chirchwardens of Sainct Saviour kirk & their successours, to the exhibicion & augmentacion of the parishe clerc their & of his wages, fyve tenementes in Staynbow-lane. I wille that myn executours paie during xx yeres aftir my decesse to the preistes of Allhalow kyrk on the Paiement iij s. iiij d. every yere, & to the parishe clerk vj s. viij d., soe that they kepe & syng our Lady Messe in the same kirk every Setterday duryng the said tyme. I make John Langton of York, draper, tutor to my doughter Mawde to she come to lawful age; & Georg Evers tutor to my sonne Petir; & William Huby of York tutor to my doughter Margarete. I make my sonne William Gilliot my principal executour, & Sir Robert Wilberfosse preist the othir of myn executours. I make John Langton draper, Georg Evers, William Hoby & Sir William Shirburn, preist, supervisours.

[Pr. 4 March, adm. to ex^rs.]

XIII. THE WILL OF WILLIAM AMYAS OF HORBURY, GEN.

[Reg. Test. viii. 46 *a*.]

Feb. 8, 1509-10. William Amyas* of Horbury. To be buried within the parish chirch of Wakefeld, in the qwere of Seint Nicholas, afore my fader and moder. To the aulter of

* A son of Ralph Amyas of Horbury, gen., who died in 1491. There is but little known of this family, and I throw together some notices of members of it.

1419, Aug. 12. John Amyas. Sep. in cem. eccl. S. Mich. de Thornhill juxta crucem. Filio meo, Priori de Bredon, j mappam et j manutergium. Ricardo filio meo 20 marks. Willelmo filio meo j cistam de Flaunder, j togam penulatam cum grey, et optimum meum pese coopertum. Johanni Amyas, filio Marjoriæ servientis meæ, unum librum qui vocatur Portus. John Amyas Prior of Bredon, Richard A. & Richard de Loyn ex^rs. [Pr. 15 May, 1520.] (Reg. Bowett, i. 376 *b*.)

1434, die S. Juliani. Wm Amyas (par. Sandal). Sep. in eccl. S. Elenæ de Sandal. Sons John & Robert & dau. Eliz. each a silver cup. Daughters Agnes & Margaret unum par precularium auri. Wife Joan. Summo altari et altari B. M. unum gausipe. [Pr. 26 Mar. 1436.] (Reg. Test. iii. 447 *a*.)

1451, 3 Oct. Eliz. Amyas of High Melton. Sep. B. M. Fr. Carmelitarum de Doncastre coram imagine B. M. Sons Robert & Ralph & dau. Katherine.

Seint Nicholas a vestment price xx s. To the reparacion of Horbury brig v s. To the belles of Horbury chirche xx s. To the stalling of the chauncell w'in the chapell of Horbury, & other ornamentes in the seid chapell, xiij s. iiij d. I will that oon preist sing by the space of oon yere for my soule, the soules of my fader and moder, M. Robert Frost, John Vincent, John Alan, Sir William Leysdale, & the soules of all my good frendes, & for all Cristen soules. I will that oon oder preist sing for the saule of Margret Whithed to the some of xxx s. be spent; & oon for the soule of myn awnte Kateryn Shaghe to x s. be spent. To Isabell my wif the thirde of my goodes, & xiij li. vj s. viij d. of myn owne parte, all her aparell, & ij gilte saltes terme of her lif, to remayn to Thomas my sonne; oon nut which John Alan gafe to her, ij gobbletes of silver, oon chales, & a Masse booke. To my son Thomas Amyas oon standing pece covered parcell gilte, a cheyn of gold & a silver salt covered; my terme of yeres in a close called Parson-flatt at Wakfield. Also where I have mynles & certeyn closes at Dewsbury to ferme for terme of yeres of the lese of the Dean & Chanons of Seint Stephyn's * by there chapiter seale, & the seid mylnes & dammes new reparyd by me at my grete costes & charges, I will that they shall have yerely vj s. viij d. oute of the seid mylnes & closes of more yerly rent, over & beside a close at Hertished, the which I gafe to amende there fermehold there, the which I mended by the reason of marling, to the valew of xiij s. iiij d. To either of my doghters unmaried, for their porcion, xxvj li. xiij s. iiij d. My sonne William & myn oder yonger sonnes, if God fortune me to

Capellæ B. M. de High Melton 6 s. 8 d. Son Ralph, John Aleyn goldsmith of London, & Dan Richard Rawlyn chaplain exrs. (Reg. Test. ii. 278-9.)

1467, 6 July. John Amyas. Sons Thos. & Roger & dau. Katherine. To the high altar of Thornhill 6 s. 8 d. (Reg. Test. iv. 238 *a*.)

1469, 28 Apr. John Amyas par. Sandal. Sep. in porticu S. Elenæ de Sandall. Wife Katherine ex^x. [Pr. 3 June.] (Reg. Test. iv. 133 *b*.)

1485-6, Jan. 17. Robert Amyas of York, merchant. Brother Ralph A. Wife Katherine. [Pr. 8 Apr. 1486.] (Reg. Test. v. 279 *a*.)

1491, Die Sabb. p. f. S. Andrew. Ralph Amyas of Horbury, gentilman. Sep. in eccl. de Wakefeld ex parte boriali cancelli. Roger A. & his children. Thos. A. & his children. John A. Fabricæ ecclesiæ de Alta Melton pro anima Eliz. matris meæ 6 s. 8 d. Res. to wife Alice & son Wm., ex^rs. Robert Froste and Roger A. supervisors. [Pr. 13 Jan.] (Reg. Test. v. 404 *b*.)

1499-1500, March 10. Roger Amyas of Sandal. Sep. in cem. ante crucem ex parte australi eccl. par. S. Elenæ de Sandall Magna. John Thurgurland jun. & Thos. Blakker, the husbands of my two daughters. Beatrici, filiæ meæ juniori, xl. marcas ad maritagium. Res. to Alice my wife & John A. jun. my son—they ex^rs. Mr Robert Froste, clerk, chancellor of Arthur Prince of Wales, & Wm Amyas, supervisors. [Pr. 23 Apr. 1500.] (Reg. Test. iii. 314 *b*.)

* *i.e.* at Westminster.

have eny, to have my terme of the seid mylnes & closes, after my Will performed. To my doghters, Alyce & Anne, vj l. xiij s. iiij d. (each), & to my cosyn William Froste x s. yerely during my terme, out of the seid mylnes & closes. My lese of the maner of Hollewell by the Prior & Convent of Seint Oswalde's to my wif for her lif, to remain to William my sonne. My doghters Johan & Elsabeth. My wiff & William Froste ex^rs^.

To the Priour & Covent of Monkburton vj s. viij d. to sing *Dirige* & *Messe* for my soule. I relese and forgif the Priour of Bolton all my fee that he oweth me, to pray for my soule. I will the Abbot & Covent of Selby shall have xiij s. iiij d. to doe a *Dirige* & a *Masse* for my soule, & the Priour & Covent of Seint Oswalde's vj s. viij d. I will that the Priour & Covent of the Trinite's in Yorke have to do a *Dirige* & a *Masse* for my soule xiij s., the which Shafton of Holebek besides Ledes oweth me. I will that the Abbot & Covent of Roch abbey shall have, over & beside that I have giffen to theym, oon olde noble & ij gilt spoones to the valew of a silver pece gilte, or nygh the valew, on agrement w^t^ the seid abbot to pray for my soule, the soule of my moder, w^t^ all her auncetours. I will that the Dean & Chanons of Seint Stepheyn's shall have xl s. to remitte & forgif me all conscience & bargaynes, if ther eny be, from the begynnyng of the worlde to this day, & also to all the college there xxvj s. viij d. for a *Dirige* & a *Messe*, & to pray for my soule. I will that olde Watson wiff shall have hir right, if she eny have, or els noon. To Holme wiff oon quarter ry. To Elsabeth Butler v s. which my fader bequest her, & I will she shall have xx d. & a relese of a croke that I boght for her at London. To John Amyas of Horbury & his wif (each) vj s. viij d. Also myn awnte Alen at London shall have a tablet of gold for a token, in recompense of a ring that she sent to me, & to forgif in conscience of all thing, as she hath doon afore. To Persivall Amyas a gold ring w^t^ a stoon in hit. To Isabell my wiff a wrethyn ryng of gold, & ij horses, the oon is rede & the oder stonyd, if the vicar refuse theym, & my litle mare. To Sir William Gascoyng, knyght, a yong horse in his oune parke, if the vicar of Wakefeld refuse hym, upon this condicion that he shal be good maister to my wiff & suffer her to occupy the Abbot felde for the yerly ferme, as I pay now. To John Anne th'elder my best cow that I had at Howell & a bow that he gafe me. To Rauf Normavell a pecid bow. To William Frost my rede mare at Howell & my blake furred gown w^t^ shankes; & my servantes to be rewarded after there deservettes. To Sir William Woderuf knyght xiij s. iiij d., to discharge me of

all conscience. I will, if Hawselyn wiff of Thorne make eny mater after my decesse & have eny right, that she be recompensed after the discrecion of myn executours. To Thomas Sotell, esquier, my yonger horse that I had of Mr Scargill. To Richard Birkhed my yong horse that I bought of William Neckall. To William Grene a gray horse of myn that he has in his occupacion. I will that xij d. shal be disposed for the soule of hym that aght a Primar that I fande, & that iij s. iiij d. shal be disposed for the soule of Pagman. To my cosyn Elsabeth Alan a ring of golde. To the Abbot & Covent of Cristall vj s. viij d. to do a *Dirige*, & a *Masse* for my soule.

[Pr. & adm. to widow.]

XIV. THE WILL OF JOHN CLERVAUX.

[Reg. Test. viii. 68 *b*.]

1510. John Clarvax.* To be buried before our Lady at the qwere doore in the abbey chirch of Ryvax, if it please my lord abbot and his convent. I wit my bedes of awmer of l, and iiij nobles of monay to my lord to pray for me, & xl s. to the convent to pray for me. I will that a preist of good name & demeanour sing at our Ladie's aulter in the body of the chirch for the soules of my fader, my moder, and myn, and for all Cristen saules xvj yeres, havyng yerely vij marc of lefull monay. I will ther be dalt in penny dole the day of my burial xl s. I bequeth my ring of gold w^t^ a ruby and a dyamond in hit to our Lady, and it to be kept unto our Lady. To the iiij order of Frereres & the Nonesse of Nesam, to everyplace vj s. viij d., to pray for the soules above-writen. To my sonne Henry Clarvax v markes of monay, a gown, a dublet & a horse. To John Swale a gown, a dublet, & a horse. To my doghter Alice Swale my silver bedes w^t^ berall bedes & ij of my best

* Probably an unnoted son of the house of Clervaux of Croft.

Another Clervaux occurs in the York Registers. He was connected with St. Mary's abbey, York.

1512, Oct. 8. Richard Clarvax of Overton. To be bur. in the parissh churche of Overton. To Jane my wiffe my best furred gowne. To Umfrey, my brother, vj s. viij d. I will that my broder be foundon of my goodes during hir (*sic*) liffe. To my corse presannt my best horse wyth my saddell, th'apparell therunto belongyng, & all my harnesse complete for my body. My landes, etc., within the lordship of Rypon to be sold after the deth of my wiffe, & the money devided emonges my children. The rentes of such landes as I have of my fader-e-law John Shupton for yeres, two partes to my children, the third to my wif. Where my good lord abbot of Saint Marie abbay hayth latten me the tieth corns & hay of Shupton for certayne yeres, Jane my wyfe to occupye the same. My wife, Richard & Harbart my sones, ex^rs^. (Reg. Test. viii. 89 *a*.)

kye. To my doghter Alison ij ky, & to Richard Peper hir husbond ij oxen. To Jenet Hakfurth a cow. To Jenet Fedderstanhaugh a cow, & to her doghter & myn xx s. To William Flento & his wiff all the corn at Brakenhell, & to Marget & Isabell ther doghters, either of theym a why. To Berlington abbey, to assoile my fader, moder, & me, vj s. viij d. To Seint Agasse abbey, to assoile me, vj s. viij d. And I wit my bedding to almus beddes, & who so be my servannt at that tyme to have part of my arament. To the chirch wark & forgettyn tithes v s. And I writ w^t^ myn oune hand, and make myn executours. John Borton, abbot of Rivax, my chief executour & suviour, & my sonne Herry Clarvax, & Richard Pepper, my sonne-in-lawe, oder my executours. And in fulfilling my Will I leve w^t^ my Lord Abbot all my goodes, whik and deede, w^t^ fermes, dettes & all other goodes at Brakynhill, Cowton, or enny oder place. And the residew of my goodes to be disposid for the well of my soule & the soules abovesaid, as my trust is in theym.

[Pr. 9 May, 1511, adm. to ex^rs^.]

XV. THE WILL OF WILLIAM SHEPHERD OF MILNTHORPE.

[Reg. Test. viii. 48 *a*.]

May 14, 1510. William Sheperd of Milnthorp. To be buried afore the ymage of our Lady in the parish chirch of Coknay. I will that John Maltster, & his sonne after hym, be fefte in all my landes & tenementes, etc., in Milnthorp & Carbarton, to th'entent that the rent, etc., go w^t^ the increse of x^xx^ shepe, the which I have giffen to make a stok to find a preist to sing at our Blessed Lady in the said chirch of Coknay; & myn executours to guyde hit after their discrecion as long as hit pleas God that it may endure. Item it is my will that my seid executours take other iiij^xx^ shepe to make an oder stoke, to th'entent that the encrese therof may bere the chargies of poor people of the parish of Coknay at all tymes when they shuld pay a tax, wage men, or eny other thyng the which the king shall charge the lordeship w^t^. And if hit so happen that the said stoke of x^xx^ shepe at eny tyme will not pay the preist, then I will that the stok of iiij^xx^ shepe bere w^t^ the oder stoke for the tyme so that the preist be fonde. I charge myn executours that my wiff be honestly fundon of all my hoole goodes during her lif, if sho lif after me, & that is booth her will and myn.

[Pr. 3 July.]

XVI. THE WILL OF MAURICE BIRONT OF YORK, ORGAN-MAKER.

[Reg. Test. Dec. & Cap. ii. 95.]

19 August, 1510. Maureis Bironi of York, organe maker.* To be bur. in oure Lady where w'in my parich church of Belfrey. I wit to the persone for my cors presand my best gowne. For my tethis forgotten vj d. To Sanct Peter wark vj d. I wooll have vj li. wax to byrne abowt my body the tyme of my *Dirige* and *Messe*. I wooll that all the torches of every gild that I be brother of be borne afor my bodie light to the church, and thai so to burne to I be buried. I wooll have an honest priste, that canne synge both plane song and prik song, to syng at our Lady alter wher as my body is buried, and at he attend every holy day both at Matyns, Messe and Evynsong in the said church, to help to mayntynd God service, by the space of thwo yeres next after my deth, and I wooll he have for his sellarie the said ij yeres xiiij marc. Also I wooll that my wiff have the use & occupacion of my best salt of silver w' the cover during hir liff, and, immediately after hir decesse, then I wooll the said salt be maid in oon chalesse which I giff unto the said alter, thar to remayne for ever. I wit to Margaret Stampe j sylver harnest girdill whuch my first wiff gave unto hir at hir last day. I wooll that my wiff have the house . . that I of lait haith purchaised in Thursday Markit . . for hir liffe . . & then to be sold . . and the money applyed in charitable deddes for the weill of my saull & of my wiffes' saullis, Katerin and Agnes, Richard Pie saull, and all Christyn saullis. Also I wooll that my wiff fynd on taper of wax be the space of on yere to burne at the service of the holie dais afore Sant Blase, Sanct Erasmus, et Sanct Cite w'in my said parich church. To sir John Brian

* There was a succession of organ-builders of York from early times.

'John Gyse, organe maker,' free of the city, 10th Hen. VI.

'Wm Nyvell, organ maker,' free, 1446-7.

In 1463-4 'John Roos, frater Ordinis Prædicatorum,' took up the freedom of the city of York as an 'organista.' Previous to this, in 1467-8, he is mentioned as repairing some organs in the Minster. (Fabric Rolls, 71.)

In the 17th of Edward IV. Wm. Hall 'orgen maker alias mercator,' & Edward Boyse 'orgen maker,' were free of the city.

The testator, as 'Moras Biran, organ',' was free in 1485-6; & John Hugh as 'orgon-maker' 1488-9.

'Jacobus Demps, organ maker,' free 1526-7.

'Guillelmus Treasourer, orgen maker,' free 1540-1.

John Heweson, parish-clerk, son of John H, organ maker, free 1545-6.

How many other cities can show, like York, a list of freemen from 1272 to the present day? In this list any person who practised within St. Peter's Liberty would not necessarily appear.

prist my litill masour of silver after the death of my wiff, & to Alice Brian my greit masour, iiij silver sponnes, & j pare of beeddes such as my wiff pleases to giff hir. The res. to my wiff.

[Pr. 30 Sept. 1510.]

XVII. THE WILL OF EDWARD REDMAN OF HARWOOD, ESQ.

[Reg. Test. viii. 67.]

Sep. 8, 1510. Edward Redeman.* To be buried in a chapell w^t^in the chirch of Harwod called Redeman chapell. It is my will that my wiff shall have during hir liffe all manners, landes, etc., except xx li. yerly out of landes, etc., in Harwod parish, which shuld grow to Richard Redeman my sonne & Elsabeth his wiffe & t'heires male of his body laufully begotten. I will that Thomas Stray & Herry Dikes make a laufull joynctour according to the covennantes of the indentur made betwixt Sir William Gascoing knight and me for the mariaige of my said sonne Richard & Elsabeth doghter to the said Sir William. I will that the said maners, etc., after the decesse of my wiffe, remayn to my sonne Richard & his heires male laufully begotten—for defaute to come to Magdalene Redmayn my doghter & t'heires malez of hir body laufully begotten by any of the sonnes of oon William Redeman of Twislinton. For defaut of such issew to come to th'use of Joan Redeman doghter to my sonne Herry Redeman & to t'heires malez of hir body laufully begotten by any that hight Redeman. For defaut—to remayn to my nevow Thomas Preston & his heires malez. To my doghter Alice Redeman an anuytr' of xx markes. I make my wiff & my sonne Richard myn executours. To my household servauntes a certayn of my moveable goodes at the sight of my wiff & my sonne Richard. Also I desir my broder, Sir John Huddilston, to be good broder to my wiff and good maister to my servauntes, & desir hym to have the oversight to the perfourmaunce of my will.

* The will of Sir William Redman of Harwood may be found in Test. Ebor. iii. 280-1. The testator was his brother and heir. There is a pedigree of the family in the Yorkshire Visitation for 1584-5. The anxiety shown by the testator to have his name perpetuated can be well understood.

XVIII. THE WILL OF GEORGE ESSEX, LORD MAYOR OF YORK.

[Reg. Test. viii. 51 *ab.*]

Nov. 14, 1510. Georgius Esekes,* major civitatis Ebor. Sep. in choro eccl. par. meæ sub eodem lapide marmoreo subter quo uxor mea primæva fuit humata. Lego pro mortuario meo optimum indumentum cum leripipio de velvet, et unum le tach argenti et deaurati. Lego xiiij marcas exhibitioni j capellani ad cel. per ij annos pro anima mea, Johannæ uxoris meæ, etc. Johanni Chapman † j togam de violet lined cum leȝ satan de Sipers, j dublet de leȝ chaungeable sarceenet, et j annulum aureum, leȝ knagid. Matildæ filiæ meæ, uxori suæ, j cocliar arg. et deaur. quod erat quondam domini Willelmi Todde militis defuncti, et j parvum annulum aureum. Johanni Tomlinson, servienti meo, j librum vocatum Nicholes Burdit, et alium vocatum Belton. Residuum Annæ uxori meæ et liberis meis. Mr Wm Knolles supervisor.

[Pr. 8 Aug.]

XIX. THE WILL OF RICHARD BAINES OF LEEDS.

[Reg. Test. viii. 90-1.]

1511. Richard Banys.‡ To the well of my parishyng iij s. iiij d., condicionally that my body may be humate byfore the v tapurs under the crucifix. To the alter of Sainct Petir in Ledes xij d. I will that my wif & my childre have my take in my fermhold in Kendale & my closse callyd Frey Bank in Kendale. I make Alison my wif, George my sonne, & Petir Brame executours. I make William Marshal supervisor, pray-

* George Essex, grocer and apothecary, was free of the city of York in 1474; Chamberlain in 1494; Sheriff, 1500-1; Alderman, 1505; Lord Mayor, 1509-10. Anne his widow made her will on Aug. 14, 1510 [pr. 1512], desiring to be buried at St. Crux, near her husband. (Reg. Test. viii. 86.)

† John Chapman will occur afterwards. Sir William Todd's will is in vol. iv.

‡ A name of long continuance and respectability in and about Leeds.

1517, Aug. 12. Brian Baynes of Leeds. Wife Jennet. Bro^r. Wm. B. Children. [Pr. 16 Sept. 1518.] (Reg. Test. ix. 70 *b.*)

1536, 3 Sept. Wm Baynes of Leeds. Bur. in churchyard. Wife Agnes. Son Adam B. Brother John B. [Pr. 10th Mar. seq.] (Id. xi. 223.)

The name of Adam carries us forward to Adam Baines, the Parliamentary officer.

ing hym to be good kynsman to myself, y^t is to say my saule, & my wif and childre. Also I pray you, my lord th'abbot of Cristall, to be good lord to hys pore kynswoman my wif and her childre for Goddy's sake as thay may pray for you and yours.

XX. THE WILL OF HUMPHREY HERCY, ESQ., OF GROVE.

[Reg. Test. viii. 87 *a*.]

In Dei nomine Amen, the xj day of Juny, the yere of our Lord God m^l^ccccc and xj, I Humfrey Hercy, esquier,* of a hole and perfeyte mynde, make my testament or last will in this maner foloyng. First, I bequeyth my soule to God Almyghty, to Hys blessid mother our Lady Sanct Mary, and to all the gloriose company of hevyn; and my body to be buried in the qwere or chancell of the churche of the Invencion of the Crosse† of Grove: and my mortuarye I will be assingned after the laudabill custom of the churche. Also to the high alter, for tithes forgotten, xl d. Also I will that iff the goodes that I have giffen and delivered to my doghter Katerine be not sufficient to fynde her honestly the terme of her liffe, then sche to have her lyffeing the residew of hir liffe of my landes. Also I woll that if ther be any man or woman of right can aske any dett or dewty, that it be paid and restorid. My sepulture and buriall with all other thinges to be done to the laude and honor of God for me for my sawle, I pute to the discrecion and disposicion of my sone Humfrey Hercy,‡ qwome I make my executor. Wittness theron Maister Robert Nevill parson of the same churche of Grove, and Sir Thomas Elton his parishe prest.

* The head of one of the most ancient of the Nottinghamshire families.

† Sometimes called the church of St. Helen of Grove, both dedications falling on the same day.

‡ 1520, Sept. 6. Umfray Hercy of Grove, esquier. To be ber. in the chauncell of the Invencion of the Crose of Grove. To ychon of my doughtours ther childe's parte, & if they wil be avised & conseld by my wif & my son John, & by my ex^rs in ther mariage, than it to be made ij hundreth markes. To my son Thomas & his lawful heres of his body vj l. xiij s. iiij d. yerely out of purchesed landes, by the assignment of my son & here, & vice of my ex^rs. The residue to my son John, Sir Thomas Elton parson of Grove, Wm Rosell & Thos Denman—they ex^rs. The Abbot of Rughtforth & the Prior of Wirsope supervisors. [Pr. 13th Oct.] (Reg. Test. ix. 119 *b*.)

Sir John Hercy, this gentleman's only son, had eight sisters, who became his coheirs. To the fifth of them, Barbara wife of George Neville, he bequeathed the estate of Grove.

XXI. THE WILL OF THOMAS ST. PAUL OF WENTBRIDGE.

[Reg. Test. viii. 75 *b*.]

August 26, 1511. Thomas Saintpoole* of Wentbrig. To be buried in Baddisworth church. To our Lady chapell in Wentbrigg iiij s. and the better of my ij trees lying in the new close. I giff my ij cotagies liing under oon ruffe, standing on the marsh, at the est ende of our Lady chapell in Wentbrigg, wt a garth liing at the est ende of a horse myln, to Richard Wilkokes, John Arthur, Thomas Paget, Thomas Tuthill, Cristofer Rasby & John Turnour, & their heires for ever, to th'entent that the said two cotagies and garth be for fynding and upholding of oon almus house with a bedde to logge poore folkes for Godde's saike: and they to be ordered by the said men above rehercyd. Also I will that every yere j d. be taken of the same cotagies & giffen to our Lady standing in Smeton church to the upholding of hir light. To Margret & John Saintpole (each) vj s. viij d. The residew to be disposid for the helth of my soule by the advyse of Alison my wiff, whome I make my full executrice.

[Pr. 18 June.]

XXII. THE WILL OF EDMUND HANSON, PRECENTOR OF LINCOLN AND PREBENDARY OF YORK.

[Reg. Test. Dec. & Capit. Ebor. ii. 100.]

March 16, 1511–12. Edmundus Hanson,† Sacræ Theologiæ doctor, ac eccl. cath. Beatæ Mariæ Lincoln. præcentor. Sep. infra eccl. prædictam cathedralem. Summo altari dictæ eccl.

* There is very little known about the old Yorkshire family of St. Paul.

1391. Wm Sayntpaule de Tatewyk. Sep. in monasterio de Rupe. Exrs Sir William Melton knt, Sir Edmund Perpunt knt, John de Gaytford, Mr Wm Stanley rector of Totewyk, Dom. John Roderham monk of Roche my cousin, Fr Tho Pensay my cousin & John son of Richard Anstan. The Abbot of Roche supervisor. (Reg. Test. i. 27 *a*.)

1434–5, Feb. 16. Thomas Sempall of Campsall Esq. Sep. in choro B. M. in eccl. mea par. The res. to Mary my wife & Brian my son—they exrs. [Pr. 2 May seq.] (Reg. Test. iii. 417 *b*.)

1463, May 8. Admin. of Thos Sainepaule of Cawood to Wm S. of Doncaster & John S. of Cawood. (Reg. Test. ii. 683.)

1479, Apr. 26. Brian Sampall of Finningley. Sep. in cem. eccl. S. Trin. de Fynnyngley. Wife Agnes and John Raynforth exrs for the good of my children. [Pr. 14 June seq.] (Reg. Wm. Booth.)

† Prebendary of Fenton at York, 1480–1512 (Le Neve, iii. 184); also prebdy of Welton Ryvall at Lincoln, 1504–7; of Empingham in the same church, 1507–12; & Precentor there, 1506–12. (Le Neve, ii. 85, 148, 234.)

xl s. Fabricæ dictæ eccl. xl s. Eccl. coll. S. Trinitatis de Tateshall pro obitu meo faciendo, secundum dispositionem cantorum dictæ eccl., c s. Præfato collegio meam cimbam. Lego pro exequiis meis faciendis infra eccl. cath. Lincoln. inter canonicos, vicarios portantes habitum, cæterosque ministros, x li., viz. cuilibet canonico residenti x s.; custodi altaris S. Petri v s.; cuilibet vicario iij s. iiij d.; cuilibet capellano portanti habitum xvj d.; cuilibet pauperi clerico vj d.; cuilibet choristæ vj d.; sacristæ xvj d.; clerico suo vj d.; clerico capituli viij d.; clerico communi viij d.; clerico suo, iiij d.; clerico fabricæ, viij d.; principali vigili viij d.; cuilibet virgario præsenti viij d.; janitori viij d.; duobus vigili(bu)s tumbæ S. Hugonis, inter se, xij d.; celebranti Missam xvj d.; diacono et subdiacono, inter se, viij d.; et pulsantibus, inter se, pro pulsatione et factura sepulturæ, v s. Cuilibet nepoti meo et nepti meæ xx s. Cuilibet servienti meo, ultra sua stipendia pro quibus deserviunt, stipendium unius quarterii anni. Residuum . . Magistro Henrico Horneby S. T. D., Magistro Johanni Fotehede, et Domino Thomæ Erle, quos intuitu caritatis supplico, ordino, et constituo fore meos executores, ut ipsi disponant pro salute animæ meæ, prout eis videbitur melius expedire, et specialiter pro fundatione unius cantaristæ infra ecclesiam par. B. Michaelis infra Cantibrigiam, pro anima mea et benefactorum meorum celebraturi imperpetuum. Item lego cuilibet executori meo pro me ministranti lxvj s. viij d. Hiis testibus W^mo^ Smyth legum doctore et archidiacono Lincoln, Domino W^mo^ Gask capellano, Ricardo Laverok et aliis.

[Pr. by the D. & C. of Lincoln 25 June, 1512; & by the D. & C. of York, 27th Aug.]

XXIII. THE WILL OF GEORGE DANBY, GENTLEMAN.

[Reg. Test. viii. 86 *b*.]

March 20, 1511–12. George Danby,* gentilman. To be buried in the parish conventa churche of the Freres Prechours in London. To the high aulter of the churche of Well in the contie of York, for my tithes & oblacions forgotten, xij s. To the high aulter of the churche of Danby Forest xij d. To my Lord Latymer a white ambeling mare marked w^t^ an horne on hir buttock. To John Bagthwait, my servaunt, a trotting stag, blak, w^t^ a rache in the face. To my broder James my tawny gowne lyned w^t^ chamlet. To my broder Robert my tawny

* A younger son of Sir James Danby, Knt. Cf. Test. Ebor. iv. 122. For the will of his brother Sir Chr., see under the year 1517–18.

gowne furred with white bogy. To George Musgrave my swerd. To my broder Anthony x s. To my suster Anne an ambeling mare of iiij yere age marked whithe an horne on hir buttock. To Marget, my suster, an amling horse of iij yeres old, Powishe graye. To Thomas Bayne my weyker bow. The residew to my executors, James Danby my broder, Margaret Danby my suster, and George Musgrave. I make dame Agnes Danby, my moder, overseer, & beqweth hir for hir labour a white ambeling mare called Stokdale.

[Pr. 8 Aug. 1512, & adm. to James Danby.]

XXIV. THE WILL OF HENRY CARNBULL, LATE ARCHDEACON OF YORK.

[Reg. Test. viii. 123 *a*.]

In the name of my Lorde God, Amen. I, Henry Carnebull,* preist, late Archidiacon of Yorke, as a trwe Cristen man fast in the faith of Crist and His church, now, thogh sikk in my body, yet in good mynd and memorye, thanked be the same my Saviour, the xijth day of July, the yere of oure Lord God a thousand ccccc xijth, mak and orden this my present testament and last will in maner and fourme foloing. First and principally I recommend, gyve, and bequeth my sinfull soill to Hym that

* One of the chief assistants of Archbishop Rotherham in the management of the diocese of York, and himself a man of great munificence and piety. His will must be read with that of his lord and master, Rotherham.

In the cathedral of York Carnbull held, in succession, the prebends of Fridaythorpe, Wetwang and Masham, and the archdeaconries of Cleveland, East Riding, and York.

On Jan. 19, 1484–5, he was coll. to the mastership of the hospital at Ripon, which he resigned in July. On March 5, 1486–7, he was coll. to the prebend at St. Martin's altar at Beverley; and on April 7, 1492, he was inst. to the rectory of Northby in North Collingham, Notts. On August 18, 1494, he was coll. to the prebend of Norwell at Southwell, which he resigned in 1507, receiving a yearly pension of 40*l*. On August 25, 1499, he was coll. to a prebend at St. Andrew's altar, Beverley, which he resigned in 1502–3, receiving from it a similar pension.

In 1477 and 1478, etc., he was prebendary of Stow Longa and Leighton Manor at Lincoln. [Le Neve, ii. 177, 214.)

On February 27, 1481–2, Archbishop Rotherham granted an indulgence of 40 days "cunctis presbyteris qui Missas in capella ædificata in honorem Jhesu Salvatoris infra ecclesiam S. Andreæ de Wych, diœc. Worcester, celebraverint, et ceteris qui audierint, et ibidem Orationem Dominicam cum Salutatione Angelica pro animabus Henrici Carnebull ac Thomæ Warker ac parentum dicentibus, et conferentibus ad fabricam."

The adoration of the Sacred Name filled a conspicuous part in Carnbull's devotions and in those of his master. Carnbull was ordained deacon at York on May 20, 1486, and priest on June 13, 1489—late in life.

creatid and redemyd the same, Crist Jhesus, beseeching in my moost devowt and loliest maner Allmyghty God, Father, the Sonn, and the Holy Gost, thre personns in Trinyte, and on God, to have mercy of me, synfull creature, prayng also His Godhed to pyte me, and of His mercy infenite to put His excellent passion betuene my said soill and His rightwes jugement; and wher for my manyfold synnes and trespacis I have not maid confession, contricion, and satisfaccion, as I oght to have done, for drede of wordly shame, I axe Them now grace and forgyvennes therof, mekely beseeching remission of all my synnes that ever I committid sithe I was borne, beseeching also that moost gloriose Virgin, His mother Mary, with all the Angells, Archangellis, Evangelistes, Apostellis, Martirs, Confessors, Virgins, and all the Celestiall Cityzeins of heven to be my advocates, and to pray for me to God for forgyvenes of my synnes, and that my soill may be savid and cum to the blisse that is ordeyned for all mankynd which never shall have ende. Also knoyng myself sone to departe owt of this worlde at the plesour of God, as if hit shall happen to be at Jhesus College in Rotherham now at this tyme, I will then my body be buried in the church of Rotherham in the chapell callid Jhesus chapell, laid low under foote afore the alter ther, coverid with a marbill stone conteynyng this epytaphie; *Orate pro animabus Reverendissimi in Christo patris et domini, domini Thomæ Rotherham quondam Archiepiscopi Eboracensis, et Henrici Carnebull sui Archidiaconi Eboracensis in Ecclesia Eboracensi, parentumque suorum, et benefactorum, ac familiarium eorundem, necnon pro animabus omnium fidelium defunctorum; qui* * *quidem Henricus obiit decimo die mensis Augusti, anno Domini Millesimo ccccc*^{mo} *xij*^{o}. Forthermore, for the rather purchasing me of grace and the souner obteygnyng of hevenly rest for my soill, when it shall departe from my body, I will that, immediatly aftur my said disceysse, a *Diryge* and *Masses* be songyn for my soill; and my body to be buried. I will also that the seven nyght day at next aftur my said decesse and buriall that myn executours doo me to have an obbett in the church of Rotherham, wher I will my body be buried. And I will that every prest, as well seculare as religiose, cummyng therunto, singing and saing for my soill *Dirige* and *Masses*, shalbe given viij d.; to every clerk cummyng, syngng & saing, as is afore rehersid, iiij d.: and every poore man, woman, and childe asking almes be gyven for Godd's sake a peny, wyth owt any excessive chalange or objection maid ayenst any of them. For the executing of

* These dates have been filled in afterwards, before the will was proved. Cf. Hunter's South Yorkshire, i. 16.

this my testament and last will I orden and make Mr John Lyly,* prebendary of North Kelsay in the Cathedrall church of Lincoln and vicar of Rotherham, & Mr John Sympson prebendary of Sepulcur chapell in the Cath. church of Yorke and parson of the same; & that thei dispose my goodis meveable, as thei shall seme best for the helth of my soill, wythowt lett or interrupcion of any person or persons, & to see all sooche lyveloide as I have purchasid in Rotherham, Gresbruke, Raynfelde, Wentworth parich, or in any other placis wher I have purchasid with my penne, that it may be applied for my soill; and therby that my said soill may have the rather moo praers, my mynd is that all sooch lyveloid as I have purchasid in placis afore namyd, or in any placis it may be founde, that it may be applied and put to the use of Jhesus College in Rotherham founded by my said late Lord Rotherham, whos soill God assoyle, and thereby that his said soill, my soill, faders' and moders', may have perpetuall prayers as by a preist ever more to sing and say for us, having of the same lyveloid yerly owt of the said howse x marc, if hit may be borne; and, if nay, then I will that myn executors see surely that I may have a yerly obbett to the value of vj marc, to be gyven to prestis, clerks & poore folks, as thei shall seme best. Moreover of this my last will I make and orden to be surviour of the same, to soporte, socoure and assiste my said executours, my singulare good Lord, George, of Shrowesbery, beseching hym of his goodnes to helpe them as well in making sure all such lyveloid as I have purchasid in places byfore namyd or ellis wher, as in levyeng of my dettes; and for hys good lordshipe and labur herin I wyll that he have Bassingthorpp bysides Rotherham, of myn own belding, purchased of John Hynkersell, to hym, my Lord Fraunces, and ther heyris for ever; and that my said executours deliver to his said lordship all sooch evidencis concernyng that purchase, as my trust is in them. And for as mych as in my days I have byfore this tyme made diverse testamentes, I will now they all be admittid and stand as voyd wher so ever thei be founden or shalbe shewid. And

* 1513. John Lillie, vicar of Rotherham. To be buried within the churche of Rotherham, within our Ladie's qwere, nygh to my father, Richerde Lilly. Item the day of my buriyng a *Dirige* and a sollenne *Messe* to be done for my saule, and, ferthermore, the moneth mynde and my yere's mynde, as may be borne of my poure substance. I will that the great cloth of arres y' hangeth in the hall in the vicarege be yevenne in the worship of Gode to serve afore the heigh awter. To the garneshing of our Ladie's tabernacle within the churche of Rotherham xl s. To Robert Guyll, my brother, all such money as is due to me by the reason of Mr Mild for the personage of Londisfort; and also a certaine duetie of Robert Wilkinson concerning the same personage, which personage was assigned me by the forsaid Mr Dudlay in part of payment of one annuity of 20*l.*

I will that this Will, begonne and endid, as is aforesaid, sealid with my seale, stannde in strength and vertu. Finally I shew to all Cristen men that in the passion and wondis of Criste, and in the Sacramentes of His Church, I put only my holp and helth of soole, and that I dowbt not nor never dowbtid in any articulis of the feath, nor in any thing that shuld be repungnant to the feath of Criste's church, for a true Cristen man I am, and so I covet, desire, and pray to my Saviour I may dye. In whitnes wherof, and bycause I may not use my hand wyth my penne as I am wont to doo, albehit sealid wyth my seale, therefore I have required Mr Robert Cutler Provost of the College of Jhesu in Rotherham, John Townerawe prest and felow of the said College, Sir Thomas Grene our Ladie's preest in Rotherham church, Richard Hawson, John Sentwary, Nicholas Yngherham and Ric' Broyle to testafie the premisses. Yeven the day and yere abovesaid.

[Pr. 14 Aug. 1512, adm. to ex^rs.]

CODICIL. July 14, 1512. Henry Carnebull, preiste, late Archedeacon of Yorke, lyeng full seike in the College of Rotherham. . . . . I consider that there wilbe many worshipfull men, and therfor I will my saide executours order that and my vij^th day aftir there discretions with all other thynges as they seme best. Item I will my sade executours do make me an obite at Rufford abbay that my lorde abbott and my brether there may pray for my saull. Item I will that my saide executours make for me a worshipfull obite in the church of Yorke after my degre. Also I will and bequeath unto my altar of Jhesu in Rotherham, where my body shall lye, a crucifixe with Mary and John. Item ij candlestickes parcell gilte. Item a marcy chales al gilted and inameld. Item I will they have a lesse chalis for warke dayes. Item I will and gife therunto a pax of silver and gilted. Item I gife and bequeath unto Maistir John Lille prebendary of Lyncolne, one of my executours, xx li. Item I gife and bequeath unto Maistir John Symson, prebendary in Sepulcre chapell, an other of my executours, xx li. Item I bequeath to my singler good lorde my lorde Shrouesbury, supervisour of my testament, a large standdyng cop with a cover all gilted which I bought of Sir Humfray Savage, weyng lvij unc. And I will my said executours delyver the same withe theire owne handes. Item I bequeath to my lady his wif xx li. in golde. Item I bequeath unto Maistir Magnus a standyng cop all gilted with a cover with dropes oppon it. I bequeath unto Maister Robert Cutler, provest of my Lorde Rotherham College, xl li. to

fynd hyme at the Universitie. Item I bequeath unto Maistir Thomas Reasby xl s. Item I bequeath unto George Palmer x s. Item I bequeath unto Maistir Herryson, the lerned man, xx s. Item I bequeath unto George Palmar wif xl s. Item I bequeath to the iiij orders of Freres in Yorke, to pray for me, xxvj s. viij d. Item I will that vj li. xiij s. iiij d. be delivered to the factours of Rawmarshe caucey which is nowe sore decaide. Item I bequeath unto Richard Hawson, my servaunte, a horse, bridil, sadle, with al thynges belongyng hym. Item I will that he have nowe a yere wage for this yere past. Item I will that he have half this yere wage aftir my deith wt his yere borde, or els iiij marc to borde hymse selfe. Item I will that he have at his departour, to his rewarde, iij li. vj s. viij d., my best bede with all thynges belongyng therunto with too pare of sheites, . . a cope with a cover, . . a flate boule with sex silver spones. Item I bequeath unto my servaunte Nicholas Ingram to his mariage xxvj s. viij d., a horse, bridle, sadle, with all thynges belonging to hym, a yere wage now, and this yere wage aftir my death, with his borde or iiij marc; my secunde bede, etc.; & a rewarde at his departour, a flatt boule with sex silver spoynes. Forthermore, remembring in my minde that if ther be any man or woman that wolde aftir my deith make clame of any gifte, bequest, or other, if the clamers be not nowe in possession of . . . nor in this my last will, nor my forsade testamente, I nowe revoke al suche. Item if any person or persons make pretense or chalance to any pledge nowe beyng in my handes at my makyng this present will, I playnly nowe declare that I have none pledges of man or woman bot only such as I have trulie boughte with my peny to the most valour that the owners sett them to. Their wittenes Maistir Thomas Cutler provest of Rotherham, Sir Thomas Townerawe fellowe of the same, George Palmer, Robert Hertley, Robert Lyllye, Nicholas Yngram, with other. And by cause I may not write nor subscribe this my last Will, therefore I have sette myne aune seale the day and yere above reherced.

XXV. THE WILL OF WILLIAM HOLBECK, ESQ.

[Reg. Test. viii. 96 *b*.]

July 18, 1512. I, William Holbek,* esquyer, and merchant of the Stapill at Callys, with a hole, perfyt mynd ordand &

* The testator's father, William Holbeck, merchant of the staple, was free of the city in 1425; Chamberlain, 1437: Sheriff, 1439-40: Lord Mayor, 1449, 1458, 1470, and 1471. Will d. 9th May 1477, pr. 9th Oct. To be buried in

hath writtyn thys my last Will with my owne handes. Fryst, I bequeyth my soule to God, and our Lady Saynt Mary, and to all Hys Sayntes: and my body to be buried at my parishe churche thare as it shall plece to God to take me to Hys mercy. With owte enny contract of symony to gyve for my buriall, I will that thare be yeve frely unto the mayntenyng of the churche thare I am buried xx s.; & xx s. to be yevyn to preistes and clerkes; and other costes, as breid and drynke, to powre clerkes, and part of the same money as fer as it will goo. I will thare be done for my soule, my father and my mother soulys, and my father-e-law, William Chymnay, soule, John Alstmore soule, & Agnes hys wyfe soule, and all Crystyn soulys, with all the soulys that I am bowid to pray for, iij c Messys, as sone after my departyng as may be done, be suche priestes as is good and onnest and of good name, and that be not bowid to other cherges witch is thare dewty to kepe. I will that thare be yevyn for thes iij hundreth Messys iij hundreth grotes, *summa* v li., frely, without enny contract or cowit of symony. I will that thare be disposed for relesyng of pore presoners, that lyes for dett or feys, xx s. Item to be yeven to suche as be sore or seyke, that ma not helpe thame selfe, xx s., to be gevyn where most neid requyreth. I will that thare be gevyn ij clothis whytes, of xxiiij yerdes long, emonges powre men and women whareas most neide shall requyre. I will that William Holbek, my son, have my chyne of gold weyng ij unce. I yeve & grantes hym all my landes & tenamentes within the cytye of Yorke after he comme to the yeres of xxiiij yere of age—and suche persons as shall forton to have gyding of hym to fynd hym to the scole or to such besynes that he shalbe most appte to have a onnest and trew lernyng by. I will that Edward, my yongar son, have all my landes, etc., withowit the Citie of Yorke, in the subbarbys, to hym and hys ayres for ever, in likwise to enter as hys elder broder dois; and both to have like estat in all causis consernyng to same. I will that Marye, my wyffe, have the rewle of hir chyldren & myne, with all landes, goodes that to thame be longes during thare non age, & my greit howse in Mykilgate during hir liffe, so she will remane and dwell tharein hyrselfe; or ellys to occapie to the use of William Holbek, as afore is rehersid. To Edward Holbek my syngnet weing iij quarterons of a unce. To Dorathe, my dowther, my ryng withe the dyamond weing an olde noble. I will that every servant in my howse have iij s. iiij d. to pray for me, over and above thare wages,

the church of the Friars' Preachers. He marr. Agnes dau. of John Alstonmore, alderman of York.

The testator was a wealthy and generous merchant.

I will that my goodes be prasyd by suche as be onest and conscienst men, and hath knolege what the valow of every thyng is worth; and to be sworne to dow trewly to thare knolege that my wiffe and chylder may have thare partes indeferently that to thame be longes. I will that William, my son, have my coit of fence covered with chamlet that my fader gave me, John Storke, and the code-pece of plate, and sallet: and at Edward, my yongar son, have my swerd and bowe. Here I orden & stablish that my fader, John Storke, be my prynsepall executor, and my broder, Thomas Beverlay, a other of myne executors, and John Cokket of Hull a oversear to helpe my wyffe in the besynes. And I will that my fader, John Storke, have for hys labor to be god fader to my wiffe and chyldren ij buttys of malvessy. To my broder Beverlay my gowne of violet furryd, & John Storke my dublet of velvet.

Thys is the bequestes: a vestment to Saynt John kyrke within Yorke and vj s. viij d. to the same. Item a blake gowne of shankes to Herry Stokke. Item a pewder box of sylver to Alys Beverlay. Item a forke of sylver to Alyse Storke. Item to Saynt Mary Apchurch in London iij s. iiij d. Item James Duffeld a blake bonet with a crosse of gold & stones. Item to every servant within my fader's howse xij d. Item to John Lameman of Yorke a blake gowne lyned with servet. Item to George Swenow a dublet of blake sattan. Item to John Storke a buffeskyn.

XXVI. THE WILL OF SIR THOMAS TAYLOR OF PONTEFRACT.

[Reg. Test. viii. 85 *a*.]

July 26, 1512. Sir Thomas Taylour of Pomfret, preist. To be buryed in the parishe kirke ȝerd of Allhalows in Pomfret, uppon the est-syde of the kirk-porche. To the bying of a table conteynyng the passion of Jhesu to the hy alter of Allhallows aforesaid iiij li. xiij s. iiij d. To a discrete preiste, to synge for my sawle, etc., for iij yeres, xxj marc. To the vicar of Normanton ij volyms of Vincent. To Sir Thomas Hutchon a boke called Sermones Magdalenæ. To Sir Roger Gybbon a lummyd Sawter and a Catholicon duryng his lyff, &, after his decesse, to remayn to the parishe kirk of Allhallows. To Richard Austwyk a Portesse of Sarum. To Robert Wakefeld a boke callyd Precian Major. To Cutbert Yoyll a Doctrinall in prynt w^t iiij partes of Grammour conteyned in the same. To Sir John Nelsthorp a boke called Manipulus Curatorum.

[Pr. 11 Aug.]

XXVII. INVENTARY OF WILLIAM TWHATES 'FONDER,'* APPRAISED 10 SEP. 1512.

[Ex Orig. penes Dec. et Capit. Ebor.]

The Chammer over the shopp. Sum 5l. 17s. 10d. An oyer chammer, 14s. 6d. The chammer over the parlor, 4l. 16d.

The Halle. The hallynges vjs. viijd. Item ij basyns of overse warke w^t^ ij lawars iiij s. A jak & a salet, a gorget, ij gussettes, a napron, and iij gauntlettes vj s. iiij d. Item ij batell axis & ij oyer axis xxij d. A byll viij d. Item ij swordes and a dager and a hynger iij s. A bukler xvj d. *Summa* lv s. ijd.

The Parlor. Item ij ponched basyns w^t^ ij lavers iij s. iiij d. A plane basyne xx d. Item iij bolow basyns iij s. vj d. Item iiij candilstekes ij s. iiij d. Item v dosen weght basyns, lavers & candilstekes xij s. *Summa* xxx s. vj d.

Buttre. Item vj sylver sponys xiij s. iiij d. Item vij dosen & iij^li^ pewder xxix s. Item xj^li^ weght of layth metell ij s. iiij d. *Summa* xlvij s. vj d.

The Kechyn. Inprimis ix dosen weght of pannez xxix s. Item xvj dosen weght & iij^li^ of pottes, xlij s. vj d. Item iiij spittes & a broche iij s. Item ij rakkys, a par of cobyrens and a rost yerne iij s. iiij d. A brandreth, a frying pane, ij par pothyngynges xiiij d. Item ij fleshe crukys, a knyff, and a sclyse iiij d. A bawk of yerne, iiij crokes, a par cogges, a scomer, a yerne pestell, xxij d. A par bellous and a water cane viij d. A dressyng borde ij d. A brew-ledde viij s. Item iiij standys & vj tobbs ij s. viij d. A knedyng troughe, a soo, & ii cyfvys xij d. A ladill ij d. A ste and a galon iiij d. A stone morter viij d. *Summa* iiij li. xiiij s. x d.

The Shoppe. A haly water fatt & a par sensorz iij s. iiij d. A par of sensorz un garnyshed xij d. A chawfyng dishe xvj d. Item vij lavers v s. Item xj candilstekes of vij s ware v s. Item xv small candilstekes iij s. A tabar dishe vj d. Item iiij sacryng bellys xij d. A dosen ladilles and scommerez v s. Item ij sensour fette viij d. Item xvij candilsteke flourz turned xvijd. Item xlj dosen metall of weshe & thrawyng xlj s. Item xxvij dosen hukshankes xviij d. Item x fylys, greate & small, xviij d. Item ij rowners ij d. Item vj hake hamerz x d. Item iiij clynch hamers vj d. A par of clamez ij d. A greate hamer & ij lesse, vj d. Item ij shavyng knyffes viij d. Item iij pykys viij d. A par of compase iij d. Item ii ryne spyndilles

* The Inventory of the working gear and stock in trade of a York founder or moulder, which gives us no small insight into his position and work.

His will is dated on Oct. 14, 1511, but it contains nothing of moment but the fact that 'Wm. Thoaites, squier' was a witness. He was of Marston. [Pr. 9 Sept. 1512.] (Reg. Test. Dec. & Capit. ii. 101 *a*.)

xij d. Item ij par sherez xx d. Many small instrumentes xvj d. Item iij lathez v s. Item ii kystes ij s. iiij d. Item shelffes iij d. *Summa* iiij li. vij s. vij d.

The Workhusse. Inprimis cccc weght, save viij[l], metall iij li. xviij s. viij d. Item ij dosen & vij ware patrons vj s. viij d. Item v grete fete patrons & iiij flourez iij s. Item iij dosen smal patrons vj s. Item xxj ladill and scomer patrons vij s. Item iij dosen and v flowrez patrones iij s. vj d. Item iiij belles & a lytill bell & a pyke xij d. Rynges & stapill patrons ij d. A yerne bauke ij s. viij d. A lesse yerne bauke vj d. A noyer lytill bauke iiij d. A weght of laton of vj[li]. vj d. Item iiij stane of led weghtes, xviij d. Item ii crose heddes of led iij d. A kulyngtune ij s. viij d. Item lx sane, ij mawrelles iij s. Item xxiiij dosen & iiij[li] ieren gere x s. Item vj dosen old ierne xviij d. Item xxiiij spyndilles, iiij latyn, ij s. The moldes xv s. iiij d. Item vj dosen chaufer spyndilles xij d. Item xxiij pottes for meltyng iij s. iiij d. A barell w[t] white erth xij d. Item x baukes over ye fornez xx d. A lode of erth iij d. Mayd erth vj d. A tour stole w[t] all thynges pertenyng iij d. *Summa* vij[li]. xiiij s. iij d.

XXVIII. THE WILL OF THOMAS YOUNG OF RETFORD.

[Reg. Test. viii. 105 *a*.]

Jan. 1, 1512–13. Thomas Yong. To be buried in the churche of Retforde in the Lady qwere. I bequeith twoo qwarters malte to be dalte & yeven at Rampton to powre folkes, & ij quarters malte and j quarter rye to poore folkes at Retford after the discrecion of the iij bayles. To Mr Hercy my grene crosbowe with the rake, to be good m[r] to my wife, yffe enny man wolde doo hir wrong. To Rauf Rasebie a litill crosbowe and a horne. To my broder John my bigge crosbow w[t] the rakke of it whitche is at Mr Lewys. To the Prior of Wyrksope with the Convent a rakke for a crosbowe with a booke whiche he hath in hys handes at this tyme, to be good m[r] to my wyfe. To Richard Leche my hawke. To Mr Ric' Lacelles my best bonet, my long bowe and my arowys. To my cosyng, George Eyre, my hynger & my bucler. To my cosyng, Nicholas Denman, an arke. My wyfe Jane ex[x]; Mr Hercy, Rafe Reresbe, & Mr Ric Lacelles supervisores.

XXIX. THE WILL OF LADY JANE HARPER OF YORK.

[Reg. Test. viii. 98.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. Tertio die of the moneth of Februarie, the yere of our Lord God m[l]ccccc and xij, I Jayne

Harper,* late the wyffe of John Harper late alderman, and sume tyme mares of the Citie of Yorke, beyng of hoill mynd, seyke of body, feryng t'hour of deth, of such goodes as it pleasith Almyghtie Jeh(s)u to send me I mayk my testament and last will in forme folowing. Frist I bequeith my saule unto my Lord God and Creator of all the world, to our Blissed Lady, and to all the hoill company of hevyn, and my body to be buried in the midd alye, at my stale end, within my parishe churche of All Halous of the Payment within the said citie of Yorke. Item I bequeith to the hie alter for my forgottyn tithes vj s. viij d. And I bequeith for my cors presand my best gowne after the maner and custome of the citie of Yorke. Also I bequeith xiiij wex in vij seriesse to be maid and brynt about my body the daie of my buriall. And of the said vij seriesse, oon to be brynt and leght every daie frome the daie of my buriall unto my eghtyne day, to be maide new, and als mych wax in tham as was at my biriall day. Also I bequeith xiij torches of ij s. peice to be bought and brynt about my body the daie of my buriall and viijth daie. Also I bequeth xiij white gownes to be maid and yiffen to xiij power men, evere gowne contenyng foure yerdes, which poore men shall bere the said torchys abount, and evere oon of thame iiij d. the daye of my buriall. Also I bequeith unto the kirkwarkes for my buriall vj s. viij d. Also I will that my *Deryge* and *Masse* be song the day of my buriall on our Lady, and that evere preist of my parishe churche to have viij d. to pray for me. And the same daie oon trentall of Measses to be doone for me. Also I will have oon trentall of Measses to be song for of my eghtyn day. And I will have *Dergy* and *Measse* song the same viijth daye of *Requiem* likewise as at my buriall day. And I bequeth to evere prest of the churche then beyng at *Dergy* and *Measse* the same daie viij d. Also I bequeith xl s. in spice and wyne, breid and aile, and xl s. for to make a denere to siche persons as myn executors will call therto with my hoill parishyng; and xl s. to be distribute emonges poor people the same day. Also I bequeith lxvj s. viij d. to be spent in oon *Dergy*, in spice and wyne to the Mayre and his breder, Mares and hyr susters, and the hoill parishing, and foure poundes to the dener

* The testatrix was the widow of John Harper of York, merchant, who was free of the city in 1471; Chamberlain in 1478; Sheriff in 1481-2; Lord Mayor, 1489. He was adm. with his wife into the Merchants' Guild in 1473; and was Constable in 1476, and Master in 1482. By his will d. 11th Dec. 1495 and pr. 15th Apr. 1496 he desired to be buried in his parish church of All Saints on the Pavement.

The testatrix was a daughter of Thomas Brouneflete, Sheriff in 1457-8. She was a great benefactress to her parish, which still enjoys the fruits of her munificence.

upon morne after, and iiij pound to be dalt to poor people by the discrecion of myn execut'. Also I bequeith unto the foure Orders of Freyrs within the citie of Yorke xx s. equally to be devided emonges thame, to pray for my saull and all Crystyn saulis. Also I bequeith to evere prisoner in the Castell, Kidcot and Bysshop pryssons j d. Also to evere man and woman in the Masyndews and Spittell houses within Yorke and suburbes of the same j d. Also I will that myn executors fynd flesh and breid evere Sonday to the valour of v d. to be had unto the prysoners of Castell by oon hoill yere after my deceasse. Also I bequeith unto Sir William Metcalfe preist, if he be unpurvid of oon sold after my deceasse, syng for me at Sancte Kateryne alter within the churche of Allhalous in Ousegate the space of foure yerys, evere yere vij marc, to pray for my saule and all my good doers saules, and langar, yff my executor may doo it. Also I bequeith all such landes and tenementes as William Nelson alderman and Yorke had by deid of gift of John Custance th'elder, bakar, in the towne and feldes of Skirpynbeke and Yolethorp in Countie of Yorke, which the said William Nelson haith yiffyn state unto the kyrk maisters of All halloo church abovesaid, unto the use and behove of the same churche, according unto certayn condicions contened in certayne indenture tripertid, of the whiche indenture tripertid oon parte remanes in the chawmer of Yorke, secunt parte with said kirkmasters, and the thyrd parte of thame with the said William Nelson and his heyrs. Also I bequeith unto the house of Rileston oon superaltar, a Messe buke in prynt, a pax brede with towe ymages, oon of Saynt Katerine and the other of Saynt Cristofer, with the alter clothes belongyng unto the said alter, in my parlour, to remane and belong unto our Lady alter of Rilston for ever more. Also I will that suche glasse wyndous whiche (*sic*) and tooke and removid fro the house of Saynt Leonard, where I wont, be restored agayn, if God call me now to His mercy, with the litill buttree of waynskott which was afore in the said. Also I bequeath unto th'abbay of Marton a fedder bed with bolster and oon cover of a bed, a pott of brasse, oon greit baissyn latton, a rostyron, and xxvij s. in money which they awe me, a pair of lyn shettes and the curtains blewe bukeram, two pilloo coddes with the valandes, under this condicion that the Prior and Covent of the same doo evere yere duryng fyve yeres a *Messe* of *Raquiem* and *Dergy* for my saule and all my goode frendes' saules. Also I bequeith unto Jennet Helay two gownes, iiij yerdes hardyn, a bed, and oon latton pan. Also I bequeith unto Agnes Kater a littill masoer standyng and gilt w'out frounce, at the

discrecion of myn executors, a spynnyng wheile, a par of cardes, a rok and oon reill, two dishes, two sausers. Also I bequeith to Thomas Kater viij sylver spones and a par of silver bedes contening iij^{xx} and xiij, to be sold, and the money therof to be spent upon hym in rayment or othir thyng necessarie. Also I bequeith to Rychard Russell, my cosyn, a pair of sylver bedes contenyng iij^{xx} vij, to helpe hym with. The residew of all my goodes unbequest, my dettes paid and funerall expenses fulfillid, I gyffe unto Alan Staveley, alderman of the citie of Yorke, and Robert Cliffe, whome I make myn executors, to dispose for the well of my saule and all Cristyn saules as thay shall thynke most expedient and necessarie. And I make Mr Kirke alderman and Mr William Nelson supervisors of this my testament and last will. And I bequeith to ather of myn executors for ther labors xx s. and ather of my said supervisores other xx s. for thar good counseall to be had in fulfillyng of my last will. Also I bequeith unto Robert Cliffe the reversion of yeres of house which I have in my house I wonne in. Hiis testibus Roberto Cheston, notario publico, domino Antonio Mason capellano, et Thoma Yorke.

XXX. THE WILL OF ELIZABETH GARNER OF HULL, WIDOW.

[Reg. Test. viii. 105 *a*.]

Apr. 12, 1513. Elizabeth Garner,* wedow, lat wyfe of Robert Garner, alderman of Kyngeston upon Hull. I geve my sawle to God Almyghtie Wiche creatid it and redemyd, to the glorius Virgyn Seynt Mary, and to all the Seyntes beyng in the celestiall colege of hevyn; my body to be buried in Trinitye churche of Hull. To dayn Margaret Selby, nonne of Swyne abbay, xx s. I will that my best standyng maser duble gilt with a covereng, and my best salt duble gilt with a coveryng remayne evermore for heyerlomys to the heire male of the forsaid Robert Garner, and never to be solde for noo necessite, buto evermore succede the bloed and name aforesaid from heyer to heyer. I will that my plate (be) in the churche of ye Holy Trynyte within the towne aforesaid, & there lye in a chiste in the revestrye, to be kepte to the behove of (my) iij sonnes, Peter, Robert & John Garner. I will that Peter Garner, myn eldest son, enter unto all my husholde as heier male, & he to be bounden in conscience to do a yerely obytt for the

* Will d. Sept. 20, 1505, Robert Garner, alderman of Hull. I wyll that my wyffe make a glasse wyndowe for her & me in Swyne abbay clostere of the northe syde. My wyffe to have my purchest and my wedsett land in Clyffe, Danthorpe, & Sportlay. (Reg. Test. vi. 205 *a*.)

sawles of my husbonde and myn, for the sowles of Henry Selby & Katerine hys wyffe, Sir John Casson & Mawde hys moder, Robert Welton & Jenet hys wife, with all our benefactors, as for on alderman; & (after the deaths of my children) the churchemasters to do it, & the mayre of the towne for the tyme beyng to offre the Messe penny. And the said obite shalbe regestryd in the Messe bok in the said churche as strongly as it can.

XXXI. THE WILL OF GERARD WANSEFORD OF YORK, STATIONER.

[Reg. Test. Dec. & Cap. ii. 97.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. Anno Domini m[l] quingentesimo decimo tertio, I Gerard Wanseford * of the Cyte of York, stacionar, trubylyd w[t] bodyly seyknes bot hoole of mynd, mak my testament or last will in this maner. First I giff my sowll to Almyghty Gode, to our Lady Sanct Mary, and to all y[e] company of hevyn, & my body to be buryed w[t]in ye church of Sanct Margaret of Lenum Bishop by fore ye chapell of y[e] Holy Trinite. And I giff to ye said church for my buriall vj s. viij d. Also I require for ye luff of Jhesu Crist for to be on broder of ye Trinite gyld kepyd yer: and to pay yerfore as y[e] custome of ye gyld requirith. Item I bequeth & giff to Agnes, y[e] doghtter of James At y[e] See at Brydlyngton in Yowrkshyr, in mony iij li. vj s. viij d. and on gold ryng wt tokyns gravyn yeron ✠ S. P. I. Item I bequest to Rauff Polan of York goldsmyth j worstyd blak jakkytt lynyd w[t] blak lambe & on oversee porse w[t] y[e] gyrdill. Item I giff to my brother Frederik Wanseford all my other clothes at York. And also I giff hym on paire of corrall beydes gawdied w[t] silver which be in ye kepyng of y[e] said Rauff Polan. Item I bequeth to Richerd Watterson of London xl s. to ye which Richard Mr Wynkyn de Word can informe yow: Item I giff to ye said Mr Wynkyn xl s. which I howght hym. Also I giff to Valentyn, my broyer son, my scarlytt cape. The residew of my goodes not bequest, my dettes first paid, I putt to ye disposicion of myn executers, whome I maike my said broder Friderik Wanseford of ȝowrk, Rauff Polan of ye said ȝork, & Mr Mayner Weywyk of London, y[t] thei dispose my said goodes for y[e] well of my sowll as it shall seme

* The greater part of the curious will of this early York printer was given by me to the late Mr. Davies, and was printed by him in his Memoir of the *York Press*.

2 Nov. 1510. Comm. to Frederik Wandisford, alias Frese, of York to collect the goods etc. of Garrit Wandisford, alias Frese, of York dec[d], & to render an acc[t]. (Reg. D. & C. ii.)

thame best to plese God & profyt my sowll. Ye dayte at Lenum beforn sayd, ye day & y^e ȝer beforne writtyn. Wytnes Mr John Whytyng M^r of ye College of Lenum, Sir Thomas Spicer prest yer, and Luttkyn Smyth, ye which Luttkyn I make supervisor of y^is my last will & I giff hym for his labour xl s., & for mor soorte ye sayd wytnes hath putt to yer sealles.

[Pr. 24 Oct. before Wm. Radclyff, Official of the liberty of the town or borough Lenum Episcopi, in the chapel of the Hospital of St John Baptist there, & adm. to ex^rx: Pr. at York & adm. to Frederick Wanseford.]

XXXII. THE WILL OF AGNES MELLERS OF NOTTINGHAM, WIDOW.

[Reg. Test. viii. 120 *b*.]

June 10, 1513. Agnes Mellers,* widow and voiesse. To be buried in the parich church of Sent Marie in Notingham, in the same place where the bodie of my hosband, Richerd Mellers, lieth buried. To Thomas, son of John Widerlay, x marc, &, if he departe before he is bownd apprentice, the said x marc to be imploid to the use of the free scole which I have fowndid in Notyngham. To William, son of William Mellers late of Lacester, x marc—(to remain to John his brother—Agnes d. Robt M my son—Wm s. Wm English). To Sir Richerd Mellers, my son, a chales, vestyment, w^t all thinges to them belonging. To Agnes, doghter of Robert Russell, a little maser with a band of silver and gilde. To the reparacion of xx^ti of the porist churchis where my hosband maid any bellys, to every church vj s. viij d. At the tyme of my buriall and vij^th day myn executors shall dispose xx li. to the poorist people by them knowen. I will that xij gownis to xij poore men shalbe parte, and yerlie at my anniversarie or yeresday x gownis to x poore men during the space of iij yeris, over and above that sum of xx s. which for me shalbe donne by the chambre of this towne. I will that the mayre and burgesis of the town of Not' shall have to them & their successors for ever on mease sett in the side of the church yerde of Sent Petur in Notingham, iij chamburs in the said church yerd now in the holding of Sir John Hunt, Sir Richard Morley, & another vacant, & on other mease in the Bridelsmyth gate, a garden in Berwardgate, a garden in Sent Nycholas

* Widow of Richard Mellers of Nottingham, bell-founder, etc., whose will, dated Jan. 7, 1503-4, was proved Aug. 2, 1515 (Reg. Test. ix. 18 *b*). He leaves to Agnes, his wife, a mansion opposite the Dolphin. After her husband's death Agnes Mellers took the vow of perpetual widowhood.

She was a generous benefactor in various ways, especially in founding a school in Nottingham. Her son Robert Mellers, M.P., befriended the same public institution.

parich & a garden in the same parich, to & for the edification & supportacion of the said free scole, which I have erected to be kept in parich of Sent Marie in Not', according to sooch constitucions and ordinannces as I therof have maid a note and draght—& also all my meases, etc., held by leas, and a mease in Ancaster boght for me by my son William Inglisch. My sons Robert Mellers & William Englisch ex^{rs}. William Kirkbye and William Caswell supervisors. Thes witnes John Roos mayre of Not', John Williamson, John Cost, Thomas Mellors, Thomas Wiloghbye, aldermen and justices of the peace.

[Pr. May 12, 1514, adm. to ex^{rs}.]

XXXIII. THE WILL OF CUTHBERT PLACE, RECTOR OF RUDBY.

[Reg. Bainbridge, 140 *b*.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. The xijth day of Julii, ye yere of our Lorde m^{l} ccccc^{mo} xiij^{mo}, I Cuthbert Place,* person of Rudebe, hole of mynde and seke in body, ordyneth and maketh this my last will in maner and forme folowing. First I bequeth my soule to Almyghti God, to the Blisside Virgyne our Lady Saynct Marie, and to all hole company of hevyne, my body to be buriede with in the parish kirke of All Halows of Rudebe before the hie awlter. Also I will my mortuarie be gifen after the custome of the contree. Also I will that at the day of my buriall every prest present have viij d. and every clerke ij d. and parish clerkes iiij d. and penny dale to all the poore; and forthermore after discrecion of my executours. Also I bequeth xiiij li. to a honest prest to sing for my saule, my fader's and my moder's, and all my goode frendes' saules the spaice of iij yere in the saide church of Rudbe. Also I beqweth to the said church xl s. therwith to be bought a vestment after the mynd of my executours. Also I bequeth to every chapell depending to Rudbe vj s. viij d.; and to every prest being servande to me at the saide chapelles vj s. viij d. Also I bequeth to Sir William Paicoke xxvj s. viij d.; also to Sir Christofer x s. Also I bequeth to William Belte, my servande, iiij li. and a hors. Also to Richerde Asqwytt his hole yere waiges and xiij s. iiij d. Also to my hyndis ther hole

* A younger son of Rowland Place of Halnaby, Esq., and his wife, Margery, dau. of Sir John Conyers of Hornby.

His father died on May 4 in the 8th of Henry VII., leaving John Place his son and heir, then of the age of 24.

This will is a pleasing picture of the *status* and feelings of a somewhat wealthy ecclesiastic.

yere waiges. Also to my women servandis ther hole yere waige with a levarie. Also to my coke laydes vj s. viij d. Also I beqweth to Galfrid Dodworth x li.; and to my suster his moder iij li. vj s. viij d. Also I bequeth to my suster Marjorie Surtes * the pressour the which I dide lende hir on a pleige. Also to my cosyn William Conyers vj s. viij d. Also to Leonard his broder vj s. viij d. Also to John Saier xx s. Also to Sir Laurence Wrigh xiij s. iiij d. Also I bequeth to the Freers of Richmund xx s.; and to the iiij Freris' Orders besides x s. Also to Sir Robert Blakston a oxe. Also to James Bays xxvj s. viij d. Also to my suster in lawe vj li. xiij s. iiij d. Also to Rolande Place iij li. vj s. viij d. Also to Barnarde Place iij li. vj s. viij d. Also to Robert Place iij li. vj s. viij d. Also to Richerde Copper vj s. viij d. Item to the reparacion of Rudebe brigg xxvj s. viij d. Also I beqweth to the mariege and help of my broder dowghter xl li. Also I bequeth to my Lorde Connyers a goblet, wt my best hors after my mortuarie to be taken: and to my maister his sonne xl s. to by hym a nage with. Also I bequeth my broder, John Place, xiij li. vj s. viij d.; and to my cosyn John, maister of hospitall, x li., which twoo I make and ordineth my executours. This my last will fulfillid, I will that residew of my goodes be disposid after the mynde of myn executours for the well of my saule and the helpe of my broder John children. Writen the day and the yere abovesaide, thes bering witnes, Sir Robert Blakeston, Sir William Paicoke prestes, John Saier, Christofer Connyers, Leonarde Connyers, with many moo, the which I have subscribide with my hande and setto my seale.

XXXIV. THE WILL OF ALEXANDER PASSELEW OF RIDDLESDEN, ESQ.

[Reg. Test. viii. 114 *b.*]

July 28, 1513. Alexander Passelewe, † esquier. To be buried in Saint Laurence qwere within the churche of Binglay. To the vicar my best beist in the name of my mortuarie. To

* This must be the lady, hitherto without a surname, who married Thomas Surtees, Esq., of Dinsdale. Her husband died in Nov. 1510, and his only sister and heir was the wife of John Place, the testator's nephew.

† Eldest son of Thomas Passelew, of Riddlesden, Esq.

1486, Aug. 19. Thos Passellew de Redelesden arm. Sep. in choro eccl. Omn. Sanct. de Byngley, subtus lectrinam. My mother Joan wife of Adam Brome. Alexander my son and heir, a minor. Dau. Isabel 40*l.* My sisters Joan and Elizabeth. Bastard son Arthur. My wife, Sir Thos Tempest knt, Wm Beckwt knt, John Nevill knt, & Thos Lacy Esq. exrs. [Pr. 25 Jan. 1487-8.] (Reg. Test. v. 322 *b.*)

the alter of Saint Laurence in the said churche a vestment of chamlett. To the alter of our Ladie of Kighlay a gowne of blake cloth furred with fichus. Also I bewit a dublet, the one half of cloth of golde and the other half of blake velvett, to be made in corporaxes, and to be disposede at the sight of Sir Miles Hertley and Sir John Scott preistes. Residew, forsothe, of all my goodes, I gif to Mawde my wif and Stephen my son, whiche I ordeyne my executors, that thei the same goodes well and truelie dispose as them shall think best for to spede, by the oversight of Sir John Passelew th'abbot of Whalley, and Johne Lacie esquier.

XXXV. THE WILL OF JOHN HOLME.

[Reg. Test. ix. 22 *b*.]

Aug. 27, 1513. John Holme*. For as myche I intende with the grace of God to procede to this journay to doo the Kyng service, and . . . yf it so be that any thyng fortune me but goode, as God knawes, I mak my will. My body to be graven in Christen beryall, iff it pleasse God. To a poor prest, beyng out of service, to syng a trentall of Messes in Felkyrk, or ells wher I was borne, for my sawll, etc., x s. Residewe to Alys my wyffe & my childeren, that is to say I will that my wyff, my m^r being hir good maister as my specyall trust is upon his good maistershipe, I beyng in his service, if any thyng fortune to me, as God knawes, that she shall occupye all my goodes to the use of hir and my childer; if so be that she kepe hir unmaried, as I trust she will, consideryng hir great charge. And for as mych as I have a speciall mynd to John & Edwarde Holme, my sonnes, to have theym well orderede, I will that my wyffe kepe to the scooll opon my holl goodes unto such tym that thay be of lawfull age. And if thay do the contrary to this my will, and be nott well disposede, nor will nott attende theyr lernyng, but spend theyr tyme and my goode in wast, than I will that all such costes as is spent oppon theym for theyr borde, they beyng frome their moder, shall be taken upon ther parte whic belonges too theyme. And, forther, of my will yf any travesse be, I hav shewed my mynde unto my brother, vicar of Ruston, and he to recorde it, if nede be, to my m^r, whome I besuch too be their good maister, for they have no helpe nor succour but your good maistershipe. I mak my brother the

* I am unable to state to what family the testator belonged. He was probably on his way to the war against the Scots. He was, seemingly, one of the Holmes of Paul Holme. His brother was vicar of Ruston, and there this will was made.

vicar of Ruston & my sone Richarde supervisours, to oversee my goodes to the behove of my childre that be not at lawfull age. At Ruston.

[Pr. 8 Nov. 1515.]

XXXVI. THE WILL OF THOMAS FITZWILLIAM OF ALDWARK, ESQ.

[Reg. Test. ix. 31 *b*.]

Aug. 28, 5th Hen. VIII. (1513). Thomas Fytzwilliam * of Aldewarke, esquier. My body to be buried in the Freers at Tykhill, if please Allmyghty God I may come home frome the felde agaynste the Scottes. I bequeth to my mortuarie my beste horsse. My feoffees Thomas Wentworthe esquier, Thomas Stree, and Nicholesse Boswell to be seassede in all my maners, landes, etc., to th'entent that they suffer my executours to take the proffettes to such tyme as they have payde my dettes & receyved cccth markes to the mariage of Alice my doghter. I will that they stand seassed of the maner of Therfelde in the countie of Harteford to the use of John Fytzwilliam, my yonger sone, for the terme of his lyffe, & then it to come to my ryght heyres. If my doghter Alyce dye afore she be mariede, the said iij^{c} markes to be disposede by myn executours in charytable dedes for t'helth of my soull. I will that myn executours make, or cause to be maide, a tombe over my father wher he liethe buried at the Freers at Tykhill, and another over myselfe, yf it happen me ther to be buriede. The residewe to Anne my wyffe, Thomas Wentworth of Wentworth, Thomas & Nicholesse Boswell, whome I make myn executours.

[Pr. 20 May, 1516, adm. Anne wid.]

XXXVII. THE WILL OF JOHN HAMERTON OF WIGGLESWORTH, ESQ.

[Reg. Test. ix. 2.]

1513. Johannes Hamerton † de Wiglesworth, armiger, causa itineris ad bellandum contra regem Scotiæ pro defensione

* The testator and his brother John Fitzwilliam were killed at Flodden. The wills of his father and grandfather are in Test. Ebor. iii. 246, etc. Cf. Hunter's South Yorkshire, ii. 56.

The testator left two sons and two daughters. The latter married into the family of Foljambe, and carried Aldwark with them.

† The testator seems to have been a son of Sir Richard Hamerton, Kt., who died in 1480. (Test. Ebor. iii. 258.)

The Scottish campaign on which he was going ended in the great victory at Flodden. Did he die there?

regni Angliæ, condo testamentum meum. Sep. in capella B. M. V. infra eccl. de Preston in Craven ex parte australi, ubi corpora antecessorum meorum jacent et sunt sepulta, animas quorum et quarum Deus perducat ad æternam lucem. Lego meum optimum equum cum cella, fræno et aliis ornamentis, sicut ego solebam equitare et frequentare in vita mea, nomine mortuarii. Elisabeth, uxori meæ, unum ciphum arg. stantem cum cooperamine, et unum equum ambulantem. Stephano, filio meo, omnia armatura mea. Item volo quod prædictus Stephanus recipiat et percipiat omnia jocalia vulgariter dicta *hareloms*, et ea habere, etc., ut patet plenius per ultimam voluntatem Ricardi Hamerton militis defuncti, ut descendant hæredibus masculis. Lego eidem Stephano unam tabulam alblasturam, j calicem, j Missale cum omnibus aliis ornamentis capellæ meæ apud manerium meum de Wiglesworth. Lego x li. ad ædificandum et reparandum dictam capellam ad finem orientalem dictæ eccl. de Preston. Annæ, filiæ meæ, partem suam filialem de bonis meis. Volo quod quando contigerit Ricardum filium meum obire, tunc sua pars sui annualis redditus, quem dedi ei pro termino vitæ suæ, remaneat Stephano filio meo prædicto et hæredibus suis masculis. Et sic volo de Laurentio et Thoma quando contingat eos mori. Residuum uxori meæ et Stephano filio meo, quos constituo executores, ad intentionem et expeditionem maritagiæ Annæ filiæ meæ. Hiis testibus Johanne Norton, Johanne Caterall, Ricardo Chew, Ricardo Banck, et Roberto Sevyl capellano.

[Pr. 2 Jan. 1514–15, adm. to Stephen H.]

XXXVIII. THE WILL OF ROBERT BIRDSALL OF TADCASTER.

[Reg. Test. viii. 117 *a*.]

June 5, 1513. Robertus Birdesall (de Tadcastre) proponens Franciam visitare cum nobilissimo domino domino Henrico Perce, comite Northumbriæ. Corpus ecclesiasticæ sepulturæ ubicunque Deus disposuerit. Lego omnes pannos quibus usus fuero tempore mortis meæ sibi qui corpus meum fecerit sepeliri, ad distribuendum pauperibus. Wife & children.

[Pr. 9 Feb. 1513–14.]

XXXIX. THE WILL OF SIR JOHN GOWER OF STITTENHAM, KNT.

[Reg. Test. viii. 118 *b*.]

Sept. 1, 1513. John Gower knyght.* My body to be buried wher it shall please God. I will and wit the Prior of Marton to have my best hors with a sadle and an harnes of velvit. To every house of the iiij orders of Frears of Yorke x s., to pray for me and my saull. I will that my feoffees incontynent after my deith maike an estaite to the yerely valew of iiij li. to every of my yonger sonnes, that is to say to John, George, Robert, Walter, & to litell Thomas, for terme of their lyves. Also I will that every dowghter that I have shall have a resonable fynding to the time that the money for their mariege may be goten of my landes, & each of them to have to their mariege xl li., that is to say Elisabeth, Anne, Jayne and Margarete. I will that my susters, Isabell and Margerie, have, either of theym, xl marcs according to my fader's will. To Eleyne, my bastard suster, vj l. xiij s. iiij d. I will that myn feoffes seile a patent or maike a relesse to William Constable of xl s. be yere terme of his lif, & he therfor to se the courtes holden of my landes. Also I will my dettes be paiede of such gudes as I have incontynent after my deith. Also I will that my wif se that all my servauntes be content and paide ther wagies to the day of my deith, and every of them to have a quarter of a yere waige after my deith: whom I ordeyne and maike myn executrix of this my last will. This being witnese Sir Thomas Burtonne prior of the Austyne Freers of Newcastell, William Constable, and Thomas Laurence, with mony other.

[Pr. 11 March 1513–14, the will having been made at Newcastle, whilst the testator was going in the king's army against the Scots.]

XL. THE WILL OF RICHARD DOUGHTY OF HULL, MERCHANT.

[Reg. Test. ix. 17 *b*.]

Dec. 18, 1513. Richarde Dowghty of Kyngeston upon Hull, merchaunte, beyng of an holle mynde, in good lyfe, consideryng

* Another victim of Flodden, Sir John Gower of Stittenham, who seems to have made his will in the house of the Austin Friars at Newcastle, where he was probably lodging on his way northwards. For an account of his family see the Visitation for 1584–5.

On May 16, 1486 Adm. of Sir Thos. Gower of Sheriff Hutton, knt. (father of the testator), was granted to Thos. Gower his (second) son. (Reg. Test. v. 282 *a*.)

the mutable estaytt of man, and what chaunce issueth daly in every age for the inconstant demeanour of man, provydyng allway that wisdame is a man allway to be redy and prest when he shalbe callede upon. To be berriede in the church of Saynct Mary annext to the grave of my fader and mother. To the makyng of the hye alter xxvj s. viij d., or elles an holle clothe of whitte. I gyve all my landes, etc., in Hull to Agnes my wyffe duryng hir lyffe, whome I make my soolle executrix. After her decesse I will that Elizabeth Garner, doghter of Jennett latte the wife of William Garner, have my dwellyng howse—to remeyn to my cosyn Roger Bushell. To the church of oure Lady the dwellyng howsê wherin now Richarde Meykly dothe dwell, after the decesse of my wyffe, to be prayed fore, and all my good frendes' sawlles; owt of which howse I will that x s. be payde, that is to say iiij s. for an obitt in the sayd church yerly as the same day I do departe upon, iij s. iiij d. to the obytt, and vj d. to poore men, & iij s. iiij d. of the saide x s. to the Holy Trinite church for an obytt. The resedew of the x s. to be payde to the Augustyn Freers for an obitt and Messe. To the Whitt Freers in Hull a tenement next adjoynyng to Saynt James Masendewe to belong unto my hede house wherin I dwell, commandyng my executrix that the said tenement shalbe a bedehowse for ever. To Ricard Meykly, my tennante, that gowne which was gyven me latly by Georg Mahew, mayr of Hull, furred with black lambe. My cosyn Roger Bushell & John Langton my brother supervisors.

[Pr. 27 June, 1515, adm. ex^x.]

XLI. THE WILL OF ROBERT RAYNER OF EAST DRAYTON, NOTTS.

[Reg. Test. Dec. & Capit. Ebor. ii. 108.]

Feb. 10, 1513-14. Robert Rayner * of Est Drayton, hooll in mynd and of good remembraunce, loued be my Maker. To be bur. afore the quere dore in the church of Est Drayton. I will that vij lb. wax be maid in xiij candils, to be burned abowt my body in the day of my obbet & vij day. I wooll that my

* The Rayners were landowners in East Drayton in the reign of Henry IV., and one of them was Sheriff of the County and proclaimed Charles II. at the Restoration.

8 Oct. 1518. Thomas Rayner of Est Drayton. To be bur. in the church. To the buylding of the north ile xl s. Johannet Air my dau. Eliz. my wife. Richard, Johan & Nicholes, Agnes Bell, Emmot, Kath., & Ellis my childer. [Pr. 16 Dec. 1518.] (Reg. Test. Dec. & Cap. ii. 119.)

26 Apr. 1524. Pr. t. Emmott Rayner of Est Drayton & adm. to Wm & Edmund R. her children & ex^rs. (Id.)

executores deell in meike almuse the day of my buriall, to every person, singlerly, being thare present, j d. To the sustentacion of an onneste prest for to sing and say for the weyll of my saull, by the space of an hooll yere, within the church of Est Drayton, iiij li. xiij s. iiij d. To every of the iiij Orders of Freers w[t] whome I am broder, singlerly, x s., for the whuch I besuche the brether of every of the said places of thar charitie to doo a trentall of Messes for my saull. To the edifying of a portche to the church of Est Drayton xx s. To the makeng of the north yle in the said church, at such convenient tyme as the parochans shal begyn the same, xx s. To the hie awter in the chappell of Darlton xx d. To the reparacion of brigges & wais in Est Drayton vj s. viij d. John Lyllie & Agnes my doghter (his wife): sons Thos, Wm, Edmund. My lands in Est Drayton, Darlton, Carlton, Kyngesmore and Dunham March. Wife Emmot. A speciall obbet yerely to be done for the well of my saull, Emot my wiff, John Rayner and Alice my fader & my mother, & all Cristyn saulles, iiij s., yerely, to be done on the Friday nex afore Palme Sonday, to the vicar, the offerand, the clark, & the remanet to be wared in bred and heryng to pore people.

[Pr. 12 Oct. 1515.]

XLII. THE WILL OF JOHN HUYK, PARISH-CLERK, OF HULL.

[Reg. Test. Ebor. viii. 121 *a*.]

1514. John Huyk,* parich clerke, of Hull. To be buried in the wedding kirk porche byside my wief; and the hoill table to be at my buriall. I bequeth iij s. iiij d. to a place namyd Sent Andrue's in Fischergate in Yorke, to have *Dirige* and *Messe* done for my soill. To the childers' light in Sent Mighellis church in Yorke xx d. I bequeth all my songes, and bokes, to kepe serves in the highe quere, and for keping of owr Lady Messe. To Symond Harper my best clarycordis, wyth all my small bokes, unvarneschid.

[Pr. 3 May, 1514.]

* A parish-clerk in Hull who had come from York. The mention of his music books and claricords is curious.

The wedding church porch or door is often mentioned in old Wills. The greater part of the marriage-ceremony took place near the western door. The Wife of Bath says:

"Husbondes at chirche dore have I had five."

At York the parish-clerks constituted one of the guilds of the city.

XLIII. THE WILL OF ELIZABETH LADY SCROPE OF UPSALL AND MASHAM.

[Reg. Mainwaring at Somerset House.]

March 7, 5th Hen. VIII (1513-14). Elisabeth Lady Scrop* of Upsale & Massam, wedow. To be bur. in the Black Friers in London beside my lorde my hosbonde, Thomas late lorde Scrop of Upsale & Massam. And if it so be, that I die in London, or nere unto London, so that I may be caried unsered convenyently unto the said Friers; &, if I cannot, then I will my body to be buried unserid in the parishe churche ther as it shall hapen me to die. If it shall hapen me to be buried at the said Black Friers, than I woll that five tryntalles of Massis be song there on the daie of my buryall for my soule, & for my saide lorde my husbondis' soule, and for the soule of Alis his doughter & myne, for Sir Henry Wentworthis' soule, & for the soule of my lorde my father John Marques Mountague,† & of my lady Isabell his wif, my mother, & for all Christen soulis. To the saide Friers, for *Dirige* and *Masse* at the daie of my buriing, v markis. I will that my ex^rs laie over my grave, in as shorte space as thei conveniently can or maie, a stone w^t iij ymages, that is to saie, the one of my saide lorde my husbonde, the other of myself, the thride of my saide doughter, and our armys in the saide stone and scripture making mencion what we were, to the value of x li. I will that myn ex^rs shall make a tombe over Sir Henry Wentworthe knyght,‡ late my husbond, lying buried in Newson abbey in the countie of Lincoln, to the value of xx li. I will that my ex^rs shall make a tombe over my saide lorde my father & my lady my mother, lying buried in Bursam abbey in the countie of Barkshier, to the value of xx li. To the Priour of the Crossid Friers in London x li., & he to saie or cause to be saide Seynt Gregori's trintall for my soule & all Cristen soulis, & to him & his covent v markis, to say *Dirige* & *Masse* on the daie of my buriall. To Sir John Benson & Sir Henry Trewman, my chapleynes, to sing for me by a hole yere, x markes,

* Elizabeth, daughter of John Neville, Marquess of Montagu, and widow, in succession, of Thomas Lord Scrope of Masham (see Test. Ebor. iv. 72 for his Will) and Sir Henry Wentworth.

† 1472, 12 Aug. Admon. of Sir John Neville, "nuper Marchionis," to John Langston, Chaplain. (Reg. Test. iv. 86 *a*.)

‡ There is a note of his Will in the Test. Vetusta, p. 439. Sir Henry died in 1500.

(each). To the saide Priour my beadis that I were usuell by my side gaudid w^t golde. To Katheren Polen, my gentilwoman, for her good service, xx li. To Mary Sulyard, an other of my gentilwomen, for hir good service, xx markes. To Mastres Margret Bygod, to praie for me, x markes. To Katheryn Clyfton, my servaunt, for hir good service, & to Dorathe Danby (each) xx markes. To everyche of my other servauntes a hole yeris wages over & above that shalbe owing unto them. To dame Margret Scrop, nunne of the house of Barking, my gilt cup & the cover gilt to the same cup, which is my litill gilt bolle, with a cover gilt, w^t a cros reng upon the myddis of the cover, and a roos upon the top of the reng. To Mary, doughter in base unto Thomas Grey marques Ders', my bed that the saide Lorde Marques was wont to lye in, & all the parcell that belongithe therto, & all the aparell of the same chamber. To Lady Lucye, my suster, my boke, that is a Premer, & a Sawter, which boke I had of the gifte of the most excellent princes King Henry the Sevenythis' mother; and one of my cuppis, which shall like hir beste, except my cup of golde, upon this condicion that she do cause my nece Lucie, her doughter, after my decease, to be put in indeferent keping that she maie be well kepte & broughte forthe vertuously so that she shall never disagre unto the mariage to be had & solempnised betwene her & John Cutte, the sonne of Sir John Cutte knyght; for and she do disagre, then hir parte is small, or none, of my londes, etc., because of the bargayne made betwene the said Sir John Cutte & me for the said mariage: and therfore I do give my full power & auctorite unto my saide suster Lucie, and I do charge hir, as she is very mother of my saide nece, and as she will answere before God, to se the suere welthe of my saide nece, & that my saide nece do never disagre unto the saide mariage. My dettes to be paide oute of my londes, etc., within the counties of Cambrige, Essex, & Yorke, & of my parte, purparti, & porcion of annuite of v^c markis paiabill yerly in the kinge's receite of his eschequer. Exrs Sir John Cutte knyght, my nece Lucye Brown, William Bowry Priour of the house of the Holy Cros Friers in London, Edwarde Sulyarde esquyer, & John Pateshale gent; & Thomas Grey Marques Dorsett,* overseer. And thei so doing I give to Sir John Cutte two of my silver pottis and gilt; to the saide Priour, Edward Sulyarde, & John Patishale, x markes each; & to the Lorde Marques Dorset xx li. The residue to my nece, Lucie Brown. My exrs to dispose for me in dedis of marcy, charite &

* Cf. Test Vetusta, p. 651.

pitie, as in releving & helping pouer people, as thei shall thinke beste and moste to Goddis' pleasure, x markes, for me to have the more marcy of our Lorde Jhesu Criste of myne offensis by me to Hym doone.

FEOFFMENT. I have enfeoffed persons of my lands co. Cambridge d. 14 Sep. 3rd Hen. VIII., & confirmed by my Will for lands d. 7 Mar. seq. My feoffees to give the next avoydance of the best of the three saide chauntries to such person as Sir John Benson shall name; ano^r as Sir Hen. Trewman shall appoint, with advise of my son Sir Henry & his counsel. Confirms annuities. The s^d Sir John Cutte to take Francis Fulbourn into his service, & pay him an ann^y of 40 s. till he have provided him "an honeste lyving in some place of religion."

[Pr. 9 Dec. 1521, adm. Lucy Brown *alias* Cutte.]

XLIV. THE WILL OF THOMAS GARGRAVE OF ALVERTHORPE.

[Reg. Test. ix. 6 *a*.]

May 20, 1514. Thomas Gargrave * de Alverthorpe. To be buryde in the parrishe churche in Waikfelde, *coram* ymage of Saint Georg, nere the place wher my mother was burede; my best beest for my mortuarie. I maik myn interly beloved wyfe, Margaret, myn executrice. I will that my doghters, which ar unmariede, yche of theym have a childe's parte of my goodis as they shall deserve, and as they doo pleasse their mother. I will that my said wyffe sumwhat help my sone George a yere or ij, that God send hym connyng by the which he may help hym selfe. I will that myn executrice fynde a well disposede prest for my sawll and all my good frendes' saulles, to say Messe in the churche of Waikefelde at Saint Nicholesse aulter by the space of half a yere, yf the residew of my parte of the said goodes will extende therto. It is my will that my beare shalbe covered with a new blake wollen cloth that will largely cover the saide beare, and at eyther syde of yt, and at bothe th'endes, a scotchen of myn armes to be tachede on with a thred; and, when I am buryde, than, incontinent, the said clothe shalbe gyven to a pore man, to maik him clothyng thereof. I will that my executrix deall to pore pepill brede after hir discrecion, & as may be performed, beside hir charge; & I will that, the day of my buryall, she maik an honest dynner to my frendes

* This must be the father, or grandfather, of Sir Thomas Gargrave of Nostell, the real founder of that unhappy family.

and neybours. Allso I will that the parrysh prest and the parrysh clerke have their dewty as they by custome have hadde aforetyme. Allso, over that, I will that every other prest weryng a surplice at my *Dirige* and *Masse* have iiij d., and every scoller weryng a surplice their, j d. This is of me the said Thomas Gargrave, writtyn with myn owne hand, the day and yere above wryttyn.

[Pr. 13 Feb. 1514–15, adm. to ex^x.]

XLV. THE WILL OF SIR THOMAS WORTLEY OF WORTLEY, KNT.

[Reg. Test. ix. 8 *b*.]

June 6, 1514. Thomas Wortley,* knyght. To be buried in the parich church of Hemmysworth, wher I am a parichinnar, afor the hie auter. I will that my executors provyde an honest prest, of sade and honeste conversacion, that is to say, Sir Roger Frikley, to singe and pray for my saule within the said churche by the space of vij yeres, having for his salarie yerly vij marc. To John Wortley,† the kynge's servaunt, v li. To Richard Wortley, for vij yeres, every yere xxvj s. viij d. To Hugh Wortley xx s. To William Boswell, my sistre's sonne, liij s. iiij d. I woll that every on of my servauntes, beyng with me at the tyme of my deceas, have halfe on yere wagis, over and abowe theyre dutie to them due at my dethe, and to be farther rewardyd aftre the discrecion of my executors. The residue I giff unto my sone Thomas; my executors to delyver the same unto hym at his full age of xxj yeres; he then to dispose the same till his owne profite and honor after his discrecion. To Percyvell Wortley, gentilman, a yerly estate of my measse & landes in Hymmysworth to the valor of xxvj s. viij d. for the terme of his lyff, uppon this condicion, that he be of gud demeaner and behavor as by discrecon of my executors shalbe thorogh and honeste. I will that all and singler per-

* This is the celebrated Sir Thomas Wortley of Wortley, a mighty hunter, and famous for his hospitality. An excellent account of him will be found in Mr. Hunter's South Yorkshire. For the Wills of his father and mother, see Test. Ebor. ii. 135.

† 1526, 10 Nov. John Worteley, the Kynge's servaunte. To be bur. in the churche of Thornehill. To oure Lady in the northe where, cremysyn velvett to make her a mantill, & clothe of golde of my garded cote to gard it with. My broder, Mr Richarde Worteley, parson of Hemmysworth, 20s. My suster, Mrs Jane Worteley, & my broder Hugh W. 20s. each. Percyvall W. 20s. To Sir Thos. Wentworth Knt, to be good to my ex^x, 20s. The res. to wife Isabell—she ex^x. Supervisors Sir Thos. Wentworth knt, & James Longley gen. [Pr. 20 Nov.] (Reg. Test. ix. 356.)

persons that nowe be or hereafter shalbe seassed to my use of & in any other maners, landis, etc., shall stonde seassid of and in the same, to perceyv th'issues of the same, untill my sonne Thomas be of the age of xxj yeres; they therwith to purchas landes, etc., & ordur the same to my sonne, & make estate of the same to hym when he shall cum to his said age. I make executors Thomas Wortley my sonne, Henry Everingham, Sir John Everyingham clerke and parson of Sprotburgh, Sir Thomas Wentworth knyght, and Roberte Mowntney esquier. Witnes Sir Rauffe Witeffeld * parich prest of Tankerley, Thomas Trigot esquier, and William Copley.

[Pr. 12 March, 1514–15, adm. to Sir Thos. Wentworth, K^t., the rest renouncing.]

XLVI. THE WILL OF JOHN ST. QUINTIN OF HARPHAM, ESQ.

[Reg. Test. ix. 15 *b*.]

Jan. 19, 1514–15. John Saynct-qwyntyne † of Harpham, esquier. To be buriede in the church of Harpham, in the north ylle of our Lady. To the high alter an holle suytt of vestements of greyn damask, with a cope therto belongyng. To the chauntre ij vestmentes, one of whitt, & another greyn, both damask. I bequeyth viij li. yerly to be paede to ij prestes, to syng, one of them for the sawlles of my father and mother, and th'other for my sawll, unto myn next eyre come to full age. I bequeyth a stone of blew marbill to be layde uppon my father and me, and I to lye on the right hand of my father. To my brother, Walter Saynct-qwyntyn, vj li. xiij s. iiij d. To my broder, Edmund, vj li. xiij s. iiij d. To Harbert vj li. xiij s. iiij d. To my broder James vj li. xiij s. iiij d. To myn unckyll, William Saynt-qwyntyne, vj li. xiij s. iiij d. To Robert Warde xl s. To

* 18 June, 1517. Sir Rauf Whitfeld, parsone of Tankersley. To be beried in the where bifore Sancte Petir of Tankersley. I sett & gyve to every godchild within my parishe iiij d. To the house of Sancte Petir of Myllen in Pontefract xij d. Ex^rs Sir Miles Whitfeld, Nicholas & Alexander Whitfeld. Mr Thomas Gargrave suvervisor. [Pr. 30 Oct. 1527.] (Reg. Wolsey, 160.)

† A young Yorkshire squire, the head of one of the oldest families in the county. He was the son of another John, whose Will runs thus:—

August 20, 1509. John Saynt Quyntyne of Harpham, esquier. To be buryed in the yle of our Lady withyn the church of Harpham. To xiij. beydmen xiij white gownes, to hold xiij. torchis the day of my beryal. To every person that wil take almose that day, to help my saule by their praier, j d. I bequeth to my v sons, accordyng to myn afore made estate, to every one of them iiij li. by yere. To my broder, William Saynt Quyntyn, iij of the best horsis that he wil chose. To Henry Vavasour, my wiffe's kynsman, a horse. The residue to Elionor (my wife) & John my son & heyre (a minor)—they ex^rs. [Pr. 5 Sep., adm. ex^rs.] (Reg. Test. viii. 21 *b*.)

myn awnt, Elisabeth Warde, xl s. To Agnes Saynt-qwyntyne xl s. To Maistres Beyll Sotheby xx s. To Sir William Hoggerde, my chapleyn, xl s. To our Lady in the north ylle iij s. iiij d., to maik a searge to be upholden as longe as the ij preystes doth syng. To Robert Constable, my brother in lawe, my bay horse. I will that all my bretheryn have all the land which my fader did gyve theym. I mayk Margery my wyffe & Walter & Edmunde Saynt-qwyntyne, my broder, my executors, & Sir Robert Constable, my fader-in-lawe, supervisor, & theyr for I bequeyth to hym vj li. xiij s. iiij d. Witnes William Saynt-qwyntyne, esquier, Robert Warde, gentillman, Sir John Browne parryshe preyst, Sir William Hoggede chapleyn, etc. withe other moo.

[Pr. 10 May, 1515, adm. to Walter & E. St. Quintin, res. to widow.]

XLVII. THE WILL OF SIR RALPH BIGOD OF SETTRINGTON, KNT.

[Reg. Test. ix. 13 *b*.]

Jan. 22, 1514-15. Rauf Bygod,* knyght. To be buryed before ye ymage of our Blyssed Lady, at the sowth ende of the hygh aulter in the parich church of Settryngton. I wit my best hors w^t^ my best hernes in the name of my mortuary. To prestes, clerkys, and other pore peple, commyng to ye churche the day of my buriall, x li. I will that upon my herse that same day vij tapres contenyng viij li. shall burne aftre thys ordur; iij in the honor of the Blyssed Trinite, w^t^ ij mo in lyke maner to them in the honor of the v blyssed woundes of our Saveour, with ij moo to them, wiche accomplishith the hole nombre of vij, in the distruccion of the vij dedely synes; and, duryng all the service tyme that day, all vij to byrne; and so frome thensfurth vij to stand upon my hersse the space of an hole yer, and to byrne aftre thys ordur; that is to sey, every holy day, at Evynsong, Matens, Masse, and latter Evynsong, iij of them to byrne contynually duryng all the service tyme, and at every High Masse of feryall days on of them to byrne, and at every Antem on of them to byrne. I will that my executors, incontinent aftir my dethe, fynd a well disposyd prest and vertuos to syng at the hye aulter in the pariche churche of Settryngton aforesaid for my saule, the space of vij yeres next aftre my deth, giffyng hym yerly iiij li. xiij s. iiij d. To every hous of the iiij Orders of Frers in Yorke, Don-

* The Wills of several members of this illustrious family have been already printed. This makes a valuable addition to the series.

castre, Richmund, Allerton, Scardeburgh, Beverley, Kyngston-uppon-Hull, and Hertilpole vj s. viij d., to pray for my saule, my fader's, my moder's, and all my childryn saulles. To the hows of the Observauntes in Newcastell-upon-Tyne, every yer duryng vij yers after my dethe, a beyff and vj s. viij d. To the beilding and upholdyng of the parich churche off Settryngton, ij fowder of lede, & v li., in the full performans of the Willys of bothe my wyffes, Margaret and Alice, late departyd. I will that Arthur Bygod, basterd, be, by the syght of Agnes my wiff and Sir Rawfe Eury knyght, put and bondyn prentesse at a crafte in London, & then to have v l. to make hym a stoke of, & the encreasse to remayn to his awn use. I will that John Bygod, basterd, be at the same rule, & have in lyke maner iij li. vj s. viij d. Wheras I and my sonne John Bygod, whos saule God pardon, & our executors, standen bounden unto John Gower knyght & Agnes my wiff in an obligacion of an m^l li., to suffer an recovery by wryt of entre in the post to be had agaynst me befor the fest of the Nativite of our Lord Jhesu Criste, in the fyfte yere of the regne of kynge Herry the viiith, of and in the manners of Birdsall & Wheteley, to the use of my wiff for terme of hir lyff, wich obligacion we forfite in so mych that we sufferd not the same recovery; wherfor, in alowance of the forseid maner of Whetley, I will that my wiffe have my maners of Birdsall and Helaugh in Swaledale duryng hir lyff. I will that Sir William Constable knyght, Petir Bygod esquier, Thomas Constable, William Constable of Settryngton, Sir Thomas Franke clerke, John of Lecestre, and William Wod peasable enjoy theyr fees. I will that myn executors kepe my hows the space of an half yere aftre my deth, & that they giffe to every of my servauntes, wich shalbe in waiges at the day of my deth, and that will abyde in howshold the said halfe yere aftre my deth, hav an yer wages, to th'entent that every of them may provyde and purvey for hymselff w^in the said halff yer. I will that yff any person or persons can purvey after my dethe, befor my executors, that I in my lyff have att eny tyme wronged hym or them in eny cause, then I will that my executors agre and recompense them for the well of my sawle. I will that wheras I have founden on of the bredren of the howse of Walsyngham to syng ther befor our Lady for me, that yf eny of the said hows can prove befor myn executors that I have not content and paid to the said house all suche duties as I promest for ye same, then I will that myn executors shall content all suche duties. My feoffees to make a sufficient estate, to the yerlie vallew of v li., to Rawffe Bygod, the yonger sonne of my sonne

John Bygod, for terme of his lyff. I will that wheras I have graunted the next advocacion of eny churche in my gyfte to Sir William Spiers Prior of Gysburn, and Sir Rauff Eury knyght, that the shall giff the same accordyng as it is expreste in the said graunte. And thys ys my last Will: I will and charge my feoffes and myne executors to performe and fulfill thys my testament and last will as is abowe writyn, as they will anweswar for befor God. I make Agnes my wyff, Sir Rauff Eury knyght, Thomas Constable, and William Constable, of Settryngton, gentilmen, my executors, and Thomas Lord Darcy supervisor, to order and dispose my gudes for the well of my saule, as my speciall trust is in them. Thyes beyng witnes, Mr Thomas Frank notarie, Edward Gower esquier, James Aslaby gentilman, w^t many other moo.*

[Pr. April 7, 1515, adm. to Thos. and Wm. Constable; power reserved to the rest.]

XLVIII. THE WILL OF STEPHEN ELLIS, RECTOR OF BOLTON IN BOLLAND.

[Reg. Wolsey, 139 *b*.]

Feb. 4, 1514–15. I, Stephyn Elys,† parson of Bolton nere Boland, hole of body and witt, and in perfite mynde, dreding the sodan and uncertaigne our of deth, makes my testament and will in this fourme folowing. Firste, I bequeth my saule to his Maker and Creatour, and to the Blessed Virgyne our Lady Saynte Mary, and to my gloriouse patrones Saynte Petir and Saynte Paull, and all the blessed company of heven, my body to be buried in the comen church yerde of Bolton, if I departe there, and all other dueties that belonges to the ordynaunce of holy church according to my degre. And, farther, I will that l s. be geven to v weldisposed prestes, of the moste

* Feofft 10 Jan. 6 Hen. VIII. Feoffees Wm Eury knt, Edwd Gower esq. John Pulleyn, Thos Constable, Wm C. of Settrington, gentlemen, John Bakhouse cap. in castr. sive domin. de Mulgrave. Manor of Seton, lands &c. in Mulgrave, Seton, Lythe, Estbaruby, Westbaruby, Hutton, Mykkilby, Sandeshead, Goldesburgh, Scalyng, Barroby, Hynderwell, Ryneswik, Stathes, Westow, Duggleby, Hundmanby, Baynton, Lokyngton & Wheitley juxta Doncastre—to fulfill my will. James Backhowse & Thos Cromb yomen to be attornies.

4 Mar. 1515-6. John Backowse cap. Sep. in choro eccl. par. de Lithe. Volo quod xx li. quas Johanni Stackhows commendavi, et v li. quas Mrō Jōñi Frost commendavi cedant in partem solut. xj li. litigios. inter Mr Hugh Ashton & the s^d Mr John Frost. Res. Mr Thos Franck not. publ. & James B. my bro^r, they exrs. [Pr. 12 June 1515.]

† The testator was inst. to the rectory of Bolton in Bowland on June 10, 5107, on the death of Dan Wm Pudsay. He was a kinsman of Henry Pudsay Esq. who presented him.

honeste and clene conversacion, that will take the said money, for to say v trentalles of *Masses* w^t^ the *Placebo* and *Dirige* and *Commendacion*, as hastely as possible may be saide aftir my departing frome this world, and the vj trentall to be doone the daie of my buriall, if there be copie of prestes; and, if not, as hastely as goodly may be incontinent aftir, to pray specially for my saule and saules of my fadir and moder, breder and susters, and all Cristian saules. I bequeth to the Priour and Covent of Bolton x s.; and to the Abbot and Convent of Salley x s.; and to th'Abbot and Covent of Whalley x s.; and to the iiij Ordours of Freres xxvj s. viij d. To Richard Harling and his childre iij s. iiij d. To Sir John Elys, my sonne, all my bookes except oone called *Sermones Discipuli*, the which I gif to the parish church of Bolton. And I will that a cope of blewe velvet, w^t^ ij tonakles of satan according to the same, be boght and gifen to the said church. I gif to the said Sir John Ellys iij li. vj s. viij d., w^t^ a bedde of clothes. Also to the childre and brether of my bredir and susters, every oone iij s. iiij d. Item I gif to every household w^t^ynne my parishing vj d. Also I will that Sir Giles Scott have vij marc, and to sing an hooll yere for my saule, and the saules of my fadir and modir, and al Cristian saules, at Bolton; and, if he wil not, an other preste to have it in like fourme. Also all such goodes as Thomas my brother delyvered to me of Johane Lyndsey, I will that she have it; and, over that, iiij marc to her mariage. Myn executours I make Sir John Ellys, and my brether John and Thomas, and I will that John and Thomas have to their rewarde, eyther of theyme iij li.; and what as remaynes unbequethed, I put to the grettest almouse that they can thynke. Mr. John Hamerton owes to me iiij li. vj s. viij d., and I have of his a dubler of silver and a dishe of silver. And as for all the dettes of myne in the parishing, I will that no poer man that owes to me any goodes, owdir for tendes, or odirwise, that they be never stressed nor troboled by no lawe, if they will pay in resonnable tyme; and if they be very poore, that it be clerely forgyven to theyme. Item I bequeth to the brigge at Bolton towne ende viij marc, x s. for warkmanship w^t^ a rewarde, and xxxv s. to by lyme w^t^, if it be sufficient. Wittenes Sir Giles Scot the parishe preste of Bolton, Sir Myles Billington preste, and Sir Richard Shawe preste, Thomas Wiglesworth, w^t^ other moo.

[Pr. 14 March, 1515-16, adm. to Sir John, John, & Thos. Ellis.]

XLIX. THE WILL OF WM. VASEY, ALDERMAN OF DONCASTER.

[Reg. Test. viii. 122 *b*.]

March 10, 1514–15. William Vase of Doncastre, alderman. To be buried within the church of Sent George in Doncastre. I will that my ij measis in Francisgate, which I boght of John Pigburn, that the rent of them hoill be disposid aftur this my Will. Inprimis, I will that a principall obbet be done in the church of Sent George, the value of v s. every yere, in the thrid day of Junii, for my soill and my ij wyfes, and for all Cristen soyles. I will that M. of the burthe of Doncastre for tyme being to see it kepid, having for his laburs every yere xij d., & the sargiantes, at that tyme to wait on M. Mayre, viij d. bitwix them both. Of the said xij d. M. Mayre to offre a hed masse peny at the said obbet, & ether of the sergiant to offre an ob. A yearlie obbet to be done for evermore at the Freres Mynors, according to the order above rehersid, of v s. by yere. To the reparacions of the Freris Mynors' brigge, & the Marye brigg (each) vj s. viij d. yerlie. I will the rent of the meise, that I purchasid of Richard Fulwood prest, to the reparelling of my said ij meases. To William Rawson iij acres of medues nygh the Ewns lane. The rest to my wief. She ex^x^. Thomas & William Rawson supervisors. Thes witnes, Robert Denton parish prest, M. Edward Cuke mayr, Robert Strey prest.

L. THE WILL OF JAMES ROOS OF INGMANTHORPE, ESQ.

[Reg. Test. ix. 28 *a*.]

March 20, 1514–15. Jacobus Roos,* armiger, videns michi mortis periculum imminere. Sep. in alto choro eccl. par. de Kyrkdighton, ex parte boriali ejusdem chori juxta murum, sub ymagine S. Georgii, viz in eadem sepultura qua Catherina Roos, mater mea, erat sepulta, cujus animæ propitietur Deus. Volo quod ubi Radulphus Scroope Dominus le Scroope de Upsall et Masham, Brianus Stapilton, Thomas Farfax, Willelmus Malliverer, et Willelmus Middylton de Stokkelde, milites, cum Johanne Scroope nuper defuncto, feoffati existunt de maneriis de Yngmanthorpe, Dyghton et Fernham et Dogeloftehous, ad intentionem quod c marcæ leventur ad

* Several Wills of members of the fine old family of Roos of Ingmanthorpe near Wetherby have already occurred. This is a valuable addition to them.

maritagium Annæ Roos, unius filiarum mearum; volo quod levabunt, et dabunt xl li. singulis filiabus meis, ad eorum maritagia. Residuum levabunt, secundum usum et intentionem quarumdam indenturarum de maritagio Roberti Roos, filii et hæredis apparentis mei, et Mariæ unius filiarum Jacobi Strangweys militis. Et volo quod sesiti existant de reversionibus terrarum, etc., in Fernham et Kyrkstanley ann. val. xx marcarum, quæ Robertus Roos defunctus, avunculus meus, nuper tenuit ad vitam suam, pro solutione debitorum meorum, etc., et deinde ad usum hæredum meorum.

To Robert Roos, my sone, a standyng pese maid in Pikeryng, & a standyng peice coverede callede Pykeryng; a silver salt coverede with the myddell coblett off the nest uncoverede; sex sylver sponnes; all such anornamentes as belong to the chappell, excepte one vestement which as Anne my wyffe shall chusse to be at hir ordir; & my signett of golde, to leve it to Robert his sone. To Robert Roos, sone of Robert my sone, a crosse of golde wherin is clossede a parte of the Holy Crosse. To Mary, the wyffe of the said Robert my sone, a Salter booke of Laten and Frenche, & a cooppe coverede, of blew glasse. To Frances, my sone, an horse, saddyll, and brydyll, or xx s. towardes byng of an horse. To William, my sone, a stagg whiche I promisede to hym what tyme he was a yong foolle under his dame. To Thomas, my sone, a stagge to make hym an horrse off. To Anne, my doghter, a tablett off golde. To Elesabethe, my doghter, a Matyns booke, borderde, with a redde coveryng. To dame Jane Roos, my doghter, to pray for me, x s. To my brother, doctor, parson off Southdighton, a long dagger gyven to me by Sir Thomas Newporte, commander off Rybston. To Petyr Middilton, my godeson, one off the sones off my brother Sir William Myddilton, a book written off Littillton Tenours. To Sir Thomas Sander, than beyng paroche preste off South-Dighton, a par bedes off threede with a ryng off golde at theym, the which was yeven to me by the Priour off the Mountgrace than beyng. To Sir William Jonson the finest bonett off puyk that I have. To John Roos, sone of my brother William Roos, xl s. Residuum Annæ, uxori meæ, quam ordino executricem, ad supervisionem Briani Stapilton de Wighall et Willelmi Middylton de Stokelde, militum. Hiis testibus, Briano Stapilton milite, Roberto Roos, filio meo et hærede apparente, Johanne Pulleyn de Kyllynghall, Willelmo Johnson capellano, et Thoma Lece.

[Pr. 8 March, 1515-16, adm to ex^x.]

LI. THE WILL OF BERTRAM DAWSON, ALDERMAN OF YORK.

[Test. Ebor. ix. 39 *b*.]

April 22, 1515. Bartram Dawson,* alderman of the citie of Yorke. To be buriede w'in my parishe kyrke of Criste in curia Regis, in our Lady's qwhere. I witto sex of my brederen the aldermen, that berys my body to the kyrke, every of theym viij d. To Bawmeburghe kyrke in Northumbrelande a vestemente w' all thynges perteynyng, to the price xxvj s. viij d. In brede to the pore pepull the day of my buriall xx s., and in oder necessaries expenses iij li. I witto the doctour that shall shewe the worde of God at my eyght day iij s. iiij d. Allso I will that ther be done in expenses the same day vj li. To Jennett, my wyffe, a tenement lying in Petirgatte, & of the

* A tailor and draper in Yorke. He was Chamberlain of the city in 1491, Sheriff 1496–7, and was elected Alderman in 1507. He was free of the city in 1476.

Like many others, he was obliged to prove his nationality. His Northumbrian accent, no doubt, made it believed that he was a Scot. I print the ensuing document entire as a fine specimen of old Northern English :—

To all trew Cristen people this present wrytyng seyng, redyng, or heryng, George th'abbot of the monastery of our Lady of Alnewyk, Sir Rauf Gray of Chelvyngham w'in the countie of Northumbr', Knyght, Sir Ric' Brown vycar of Heddon & Commyssary of ye sayd countie, Sir Robert Crofton M. of the towne of Bamburght, Sir Ric' Davyson vycar of Ellyngham, Nycholas Forster, John Forster, Bartilmew Bradford, John Hall constable of the said town of Bamburghe, Rauf Carre of ye Newlande, Edmund Craucester constable of Dunstaneburght, Harry Fenkyll & Thomas Fenkyll, w'in the said countie, gentilmen, Harry Kendal, William Fenkyll, Edmund Person, John Fenkyll, John Bell, John Shell, & Thomas Francke w'in the said contie, yomen, gretyng in our Lord Gode Everlasting. Unto whome it apperteigneth due & humble recommendacion. Be it known to your universitey that where we be enformed y' oon Bartrame Dawson, of the citie of York, drapour, is senysterly defamed that he shulde be a Scottysshman borne, whereby he is grevously hurt in his name & goodes; and for so muche as meretory and medful it is to record & testyfie y' treuth in every matter duely required, that for the concelement therof prejudice be not ingenered to the innocent; we, therefore, testifiey & recordey y' the said Bartrame Dawson was gotten & borne in the town of Warmeden in the pariche of Bamburght, & Cristened w'in the pariche churche of the same, havyng to his godfaders Ric' Craucester, of the town of Craucester, gent., and Bartrame Fenkyll of the town of Newham yoman lately deceassed, & to his godmother Margaret Hudde of Shoston deceassid; wherfore we besech & desyre youe & yche oon of youe to admyt, repute, & take the said Bartrame as an Ynglesman, not yevyng credennce to suche defame & detraction in hurtynge the same person in his good name & goodes, and at this our recorde emonges youe that he may be intreated accordyng as he ought to be. And for the more recorde of treuth of this our present Testimoniall, we have, whose namey afore er reherced, sette our sealey. Yeven the vth day of Octobre, in the xxij^th^ yere of our sovereigne lorde Kyng Harry the vij^th^ after the conquest, of his reign. (Records of Corporation of York, A. Y. 340 *b*.)

corner of Gyrdeler gatte, for lyffe—after hir decesse—to the kyrke wardens of Christe in curia Regis—to cause Messe of Jhesu every Fryday to be songe with prike song, & x of the cloke, upon payne of dedely syne; the prest to have viij s. viij d. by yere; the parishe clarke, for ryngyng off the greatt bell a quarter of an hower to the said Messe, by yere, iiij s.; & I will ther be a pounde wax made in a searg to burne of the altar ende every Fryday in the Messe tyme for ever. An obbett to be done yerely in the said churche for the helth of my soull and Jennett my wyffe's, our childerne, and all Christen sowlles. To Jennett, my wyffe, a tenemente in Howsgatte & Nesgatt, of the corner,* with a tenemente of Cargatte lane ende, for lyffe—then to Thomas Dawson, my son, for lyffe—etc.—then to the kyrke wardens of Saynt Michaell kyrk at Howse brygg ende—(on the same terms as at Christ church).

[Pr. 20 Nov. 1516.]

LII. THE WILL OF STEPHEN LUTTON OF HUNMANBY.

[Reg. Test. ix. 24 *a*.]

June 3, 1515. Steven Lutton † of Hundmandby. To be buride in the church of All hallowes in Hundmandby before the ymage of our Lady of Pitie, yf I depart in the paryshe. I witt my best beest to my mortuarie. I witt fyve pound wax, to be burnte abowt my body the day of my sepulture & vijth day togeder. I witt x s. to cause a trentall of Messes Saynt Gregorie to be said for my sawll, and all the sowlles of whos goodez or landez I have hade any releyve by. I witt to every of the iiij moder kyrkes iiij d. To the curatt and procuratour of Hundmandby, for tythes forgotten, vj d. To Elsabeth, my doghter, Godez blissyng and myn, and a littill counter that was Cottes' of Hundmandby, and a fedder bed that was my Mr Trotter's, to pray for theym and me. I witt my father a battell axe, and a sallett, & my broder Forde my sark of mayll and a battell axe; my broder Thomas Lutton

* I have seen a drawing of this old timbered house. It bore the testator's name.

† The Luttons of Knapton were a fair East Riding family for many generations. They take their name from East or West Lutton in that district.

24 Sept. 1457. Wm Lutton of Lutton. Sep. in cem. S. Andreæ de Wyverthorp. Dau. Isabell half of my goods. Bro' Thos L. & John Warde, parson of Heslerton, ex''. [Pr. 7th Dec.] (Reg. Test. ii. 357 *b*.)

10 June, 1462. Adm. Sephen Lutton of West Lutton to Mary his widow. (Id. ii. 467 *a*.)

my sworde and a buckler; and my brother Robert Lutton my hanger with wodhefte. To William Roxby a garnyt callide a jackett. I ordayn Jayn, my wyff, to be myn executrix, or whom she will assigne in hir name, and to distribut the reversion of my goodes, as she thynckes best, for the helht of my sowll, the which I besek Allmyghty God, when Hym pleasse, taik to His mercy. Wherof witnesse3, Sir William Hardyng, Sir Raulf Norham, Robert Pardo, with many other.

[Pr. 5 Nov. 1515. adm. to ex^r.]

LIII. THE WILL OF SIR RALPH SCROPE, LORD SCROPE OF UPSALL.

[Reg. Test. ix. 29 *a*.]

Aug. 6, 1515. In Dei Nomine, Amen. I Raulfe lee Scroope,* knyght, the Lorde Scroope of Upsall, beyng of holle mynde and stedfast beleve, and strong in the faith of Almyghty Gode, at Upsall aforesaid, make this my present testament and last will in maner and forme followyng. Firste I bequethe my saulle to the Holy Trinitie, to our Lady Seynt Marie, and to all the Sayntes in heven, and my bodye, whensoever it shall please God to call me to His mercye from this present lyffe, I bequethe to be buride afore our Lady of pytye in Ryvax. Also I gyve and bequeth my best horse, after the custom of the countre usede w^t men lyke off my honour, in the name of my mortuarie, to the curate of the paroche churche wher I shall fortune to decesse. To the curat of the paroche churche off Kylvyngton, for tithes & oblacions necligently forgotten, and to pray for my sowll, xl s. To the churchwardens of the saide paroche v markes, to be bestowede and imploede for reparacions and anornament3 of the churche ther as they shall thynk moost necessarie and convenient. To th'Abbot and Convent of Ryvax xx li., the which I have delivered in golde to th'abbot then beyng, wherof my mynd and will is that every preste off the said monasterie, beyng there the day of my buryall, shall have paide vj s. viij d. to pray and syng for my soull, & all the residew I give to the abbott to pray & syng

* The head of one of the younger lines of this great family, numerous memorials of which will be found in the earlier volumes of these Testamenta.

The testator married Eleanor dau. of Andrew Lord Windsor, but left no issue. She re-married Sir Edw. Neville, knt. The testator died on Sept. 17, 1515. Cf. Scrope & Grosvenor Roll, ii. 137.

for my soull. Allso my mynd and will is that myne executrix contente and agre withe the deane of the kynge's chappell as reason requirethe, iff there be any clame maide by hym or in his name for any mortuarie or dewty of right belyngyng unto hym after my decesse. Allso all my goodes I bequethe to be orderde to the honour off Gode to maik payment off all my trew dettes, and just satisfaccion to every Christen man (if) it cane be provede that I have any thyng wrongfully taken, and the trew perfourmance off this my testament. I will that all my servauntez, beyng in service and wagez with me the tyme off my deceasse, shall have severally an holle yeres wagez of my free gifte, lyke as they be then in retinewe with me, to helpe to fynd theym unto they may gett other service, and to have me in remembraunce, and pray for my soulle. I will that James Marshalle, Richarde Kyng, Thomas Bryson, & Richarde Robynson have severally all such officez and annuyties as I have grauntede unto theym for the terme off theyr lyffes, as appearethe by my sufficient wryttyng theroff maide by me delivered under the sealle off myn armes. Allso wher John Burgethez knyght Lorde Barnes, Richard Nevell knyght Lord Latymer, William Blont knyght Lorde Mountejoye, Thomas Darcy knyght Lord Darcy, Andrew Wyndsour knyght, Georg Wyndesour esquier, & all other my feoffez, stande & be seassede in the maners of Upsall, Stillton, Kylvyngton, Thorneborught, and Driffelde co. Yorke, Carelton Scroope co. Lincoln, Whaghton co. Northumbr', Muscham co. Notyngham, Harborrow and Bowden co. Leycestre, Neyland co. Sussex, Fyvefelde co. Essex, Powlles Cray and Dirwolle co. Kent, to the use of me and Alianour my wyffe in the name off hir joyntour, I will that my said feoffes stand styll seased to the said use; and iff it fortune us to decesse without yssue, they to stande seassede of the saide maners, etc., to the use of Gefferey Scrope clarke, my brother & next heyre, for terme of his lyff onely, & then to the use of the right heyres for ever according to myn auncient evidence theroff hertofore maide. And of all other maners of Masham, Ecclesall, West Alyngton, Southoresby, Dryffelde, & Carelton Scroope co's Lincoln & Yorke, & of all other my maners, landes, etc., they to be seasede of theym to the use of me & my heyres; in defaut, to the use of the further performannce of this my will . . . of Geoffrey my brother for terme of his lyffe . . . to the use of my right heyres. I will that all myn ancient evidencez, charters, escripe, and munimentez concernyng myn enherytance shalbe surely putt, be left and kepte in (*blank*) duryng the lyffe of Gefferey my said broder, and after his decesse to the use of the right heyres of me the said

Lorde Scroope for ever. Allso I wyll there be provydede for me the day of my beryall xiij torches, price of every one of theym iiij s.; ix seargez, every one of them conteanyng di. li.; and xiijth gownes of whitte with hoodes lyke unto harmytez, and other thyng necessarie for my said beriall; whiche xiij poore men shall have to bere the said torches withe beedes in theyr handes. Allso I will that Sir Brian Beyn, my chapleyn, do syng for me yerely after my decesse at my maner off Upsall, & for my ancestrez and all Christen sowlles, by the space of xx^{ti} yeres, and I will that he have yerely by the handes of dame Alianour my wyffe x marcs. Allso I woll thare be distributed and disposede for me the day of my buryall penny dolle to seculers and preestes, that is to say every one of theym iiij d. I make & ordeyn the said dame Alienour, my wyff, my sooll executrix. Thies beyng present Sir Christofer Danby knyght, Sir Rauffe Rookesby, Sir Brian Beyn chapleyn, James Marshall gentyllman, Henry Low, and Raynalde Beyn, witnessez of the premisses and therto callede.

[Pr. 18 March, 1515-16, adm. to ex^{x} in the person of Mr. John Chapman, her proctor.]

LIV. THE WILL OF ROGER EYRE OF HOLME, CO. DERBY.

[Reg. Test. ix. 37 *a*.]

Aug. 7, 7th Hen. VIII. (1515). Roger Eyre * off Holme in the countie of Darby. If it fortune me to decesse at Holme, then I will my body be buried in the parishe churche of Chesterfelld, att the sowth syde of Saynt Kateryn alter. Iff I decesse att Lenton abbey, I will my body be buried in the tombe before the Rood. To every Tanten † man ther dwellyng iiij d., to pray for my sowll. To Saynt Marie house in Coventre xij d. To Saynct Chadd house in Lytchefelde xij d. To Isabell, my wiff, all my stuff of & in my howse at Lenton (excepe my plait), of the which plait I give her the gilted goblett that I hadd of Arthur Freshwell; a gilt goblett that my Lady Scroope did giffe hir; a pleyn whitt peisse that I hadd of Thomas Alister; sex silver spones, & a gilt spoone; allso my ij demy saltes, duryng hir liffe, with the cover. To my son Edward my stuffe & implementes of housholde at Holme, & my best

* The Eyres of Holme, co. Derby, were a rich and ancient family, closely connected with the West Riding of Yorkshire. Lenton Priory is close to Nottingham.

† Tanten men are St. Anthony's men, *i.e.* inmates of some hospital or almshouse connected with that Saint.

standyng cuppe, ij gilted saltes with a cover, a pleyn pesse & sex silver spones of the beste, thes parcelles of plaitt to be heyr lomes. To my wiffe sex kye of the best & iiij off the best heffers, xl wedders, xl ewes & xl sheipp hogges, my best horse & my beste mare. To my son Christofer a standyng cuppe pouncede with a cover, & iiij silver spounes. To William Selioke my box of silver for powder, with the spone belongyng therto, for a remembraunce for hym & his wiffe, to pray for my saull. To my doghter Luce, if she marrie by th'advisse of my wiffe & my sone Edwarde, xx li. My feoffes to be seassede of my landes, etc., in Chesterfeld, Newbolt, Capton, Brynyngton, Spetyll, Hoslande, Brampton, Aston, Overlevercare, and Helmesfeld, to the use of my son Edward & his heyres maile lawfully begotten—for lake, to my sone Christofer, etc.—for defaut, to my broder Philyppe, etc. To my wiffe, yerely, duryng hyr lyffe, xxiiij markes, in contentacion of hir joynter & dowrie. My feoffes to be seassed of my landes, etc., in Halomeshier, Kykyngton, Bromeley, Beyghton and Stubley to the use of my sone Christofer, & hys heyers malle, lawfully begotten—for lake to my sone Edward. To my sone Edward my feane and leasse at Holme. To my son Sir Michaell, prest, fyve marke every yere till he have a benefice of xx^{li} marke by yere. To my son Edward my leasse of the tithe of Helmesfelde. To every childe of my childeren a cowe & viij sheipe. To my sone Christofer my stuffe & implementes of howsholde at Heynyngton. To Sir Robert Eyre, my kynnesman, vj s. viij d. yerely duryng his lyve. To Nicholesse Denmane xxvj s. viij d. To the Prior of Lenton abbey a fooder of lede to the use of the howse. To th'abbott of Beacheffe an other fooder of lede, to the use of the sayd howse. To my wiffe my ferme at Arnolde. To Edward Eyre, the sone off my broder Philipe, my tacke & leasse that I have of the gilde of Dronfelde. I make my wiffe, Edward my sone, & Robert Eyre prest my trewe executours, & Antone Babyngton & William Selioke oversears. To Christofer, my sone, my leasse of the ferme of Leeke in the countie of Nottyngham, & all my yren att John Selioke smethes, & all my interest there, & all my wodde at Brownforth the next fall. To my sone Edwarde my smethes at Beacheffe abbey, & my colle in Huwode. I will that my executours and overseers make a treatie & agrement with Mr Whittyngton for my land att Spittyll to the valour off xx li., or xl markes, as they thynk best. To Christofer Cook, every wheyke this twelmonthe, a stake of corne. To my wenche Alys xxvj s. viij d. to hir mariege. I will that Clatercothes, my servande, take up of one callede Jewes viij li., &

gyve to Elesabeth Cramwell; & the residew of the money to by his charter with, & to hym & his wiffe, to pray for me. To the Whitt Freers of Nottyngham x foder lede, & xl days warke of a mason. To the Convent of Lenton lij s. rent at Baseworthe for ever, for an obytt yerely.

Witnesses dane Thomas Nottyngham, suppriour of Lenton etc.

[Pr. 9 Oct. 1516, adm. exrs.]

LV. THE WILL OF THOMAS NAWTON, ESQ., OF EDDLETHORPE.

[Reg. Test. ix. 81 *b*.]

Sep. 5, 1515. Thomas Nawton * of Eddylthorpe, esquier. To be bur. in the quere of Westowe afor the ymage of our Lady. For a corspresant, I bequeath all that owth to be hadde of dewty. The day of my buryall, I bequeath to my cosyn, Prioresse, x s.; to my suster v s.; & to every suster xij d.; & to my cosyn, Mr. Wenseldy, xxvj s. viij d. Wher Sir William Bulmer knyght, & oder his coeffeoffe3, be seasede in, of & upon my maner of Eddylthorpe, & my landes, etc, there & in Nawton, Grymston, Yarom, & ellswhere—they to suffer William Nawton, my broder, to tacke th'yshues of my landes, etc, in Relyngton, terme of his lyff, accordyng to my dede; & Nicholes Nawton, my broder, the ysshues of my landes, etc., in Norton, to the yerely valour of xl s., for terme of his lyffe. Dame Elesabeth Nawton, my suster, to take of my landes, etc., in Yarom yerely, for terme of her lyff (*sum omitted*), & of my ferme of my fyshynges in Yarom I give her ij salmons yerely. The Prioresse of Neisham to taike the issues of Nawton and Nawtondaill unto the tyme that she have receyvede xxtl merkes, that she & hir susters yerely pray for my soull. I will that Sir William Bulmer kt have the custodie & mariege of Henry Nawton, my

* 14 Oct. 1446. John Nawton gen. Dan John de N. my son & his mother. Wife Margaret. Daughters Alice & Margaret & son & heir Robert N.

13 Dec. 1477. Wm Nawton of North Grimston, arm. Sep. in cap. B. M. in eccl. S. Nic. de Grymston. Son Brian N. Son & heir Thos N. & Philippa his wife. Lands in Swinton, Malton, Norton, Langton, Kenythorpe, Berrythorpe & East Wharram. Wife Kath. & Robert Forster, her father. Bror Richard N. Father Wm N. Guy Fairfax knt, Richard York of York merchant, Robert Forster of Howsham & my wife exrs. [Pr. 26 July 1478.] (Reg. Test. Dec. & Capit. i. 340.)

Jan. 20, 1482-3. Adm. Margt Nawton of Wharrom in Strata to Beatrix N. her dau. (Id. 353.)

Nov. 22, 1487. Adm. of Robert Nawton of Berrythorpe gen. to Wm Taylor of Bugthorpe. (Reg. Test. v. 318.)

For a pedigree of Nalton (Nawton) of Westow see Glover's Visitation, p. 556.

sonne & heyre, and of Kateryn, my doghter, according to his wrytyng, for the which mariege I will that he have of my landes, etc., in Edymston xiij li. xiij s. iiij d. by me gyvyn for ther fyndyng unto they be mariede. The residewe to my son & heyre, and, if any thyng come at hym but good, than it to go to my doghter Kateryn; and, after hir decesse, to my broder William & my suster dame Elesabeth. Sir John Bulmer kt, my broder Raulfe Westthorpe esquier, & John Symson exrs.

[Pr. 10 May, 1519, adm. exrs.]

LVI. INVENTORY OF RICHARD JENKYNSON,* LAYTT OFF YORK.

[Penes Dec. & Capit. Ebor.]

Funeral Exspensis. Payd to vj men yat bare hyme yat was infecte, ij s. To a prest for v Messys, be ys dysyer, xx s. For wax for hys Mes x s. For bred v s. For v pottys of ale vij d. For ryse & almondys for hyme vj d. For malvase ij d. Payd romna ij d. For suger, & mas, & clowys iij d. For notmegys j d. In oblasyon at hys Mes j d. For candyl vj d. To ij wemen yat kepe heme ij s. iiij d. For befe & motune vj d. For feely to yame iij d. To the clarke, for regyng for hyme, vj d. For melke ij d. For wesyng ye schetys & oder fulkere vj d. To on woman for makeyng clene chamber ij d. To ij women, for berynge hys stuffe fro the chamber to hys howse, iiij d. For beryg the coles in to the howse ij d. For beryg the wod in ij d.

LVII. THE INVENTORY OF MR. JOHN UNDERWOOD,† ADVOCATE OF THE COURT OF YORK, APPRAISED BY MR. JOHN SYMPSON, DAN THOMAS FORNE, DAN THOMAS KYNG PRIESTS, & THOMAS WATIRE, NOTARY PUBLIC.

[Ex Orig. penes Dec. & Capit. Ebor.]

Inprimis in auro et argento inventis in bursa xj li. xiiij s. In auro, in custodia Domini Roberti Mason, cvij s., xiij s. iiij d.

* A poor creature who seems to have died of the plague *circa* 1515. This is the bill for burying him.

† A proctor in the Court of York, who had a fair array of law-books in his library, and a few historical works as well.

22 July, 1515. Johannes Underwode (in legibus bacc., curiæ Ebor. advocatus, decedens infra coll. S. Willelmi). Sep. juxta tumbam S. Willelmi. Margaretæ Car, filiæ sororis meæ, xx li. Margaretæ Blaxton, sorori meæ, iiij

In auro, in custodia Magistri Johannis Sympson, xxxix li. xv. . . . *Summa* clix li. vj s.

In Camera. Inprimis a old keveryng in tapster werke, vj s. A coverlet, whit and blewe, vj d. A coverlett, redde and yolowe, xij d. On paire of fustian blankettes iij s. A fetherbedde w^t^ a bolster xij s. A mattres ij s. Item ij pecys red saie ij s. viij d. A seller, a tester w^t^ iij curtans, xij s. A cownter iiij s. Item ij charys xij d. A litle forme iij d. Item ij peloys with there berys xij d. A old sarcenet typett viij d. A bonett xij d. A candilstyk ij d. A vevery comme vj d. A dager j d. A brushe j d. A sarcenett tippett ij s. iiij d. A chamlet jakett, xiij s. iiij d. A syde gowne of medley tauny w^t^ blake lynyng xiij s. iiij d. A nother gowne of dyverse colers w^t^ blake lynyng x s. A old gowne dyed tauny, lyned w^t^ saten of Sypres, viij s. A nother gowne dyed tauny w^t^ a brod coler x s. A shorte rydyng gown of violett iiij s. A chamelett dublett xx d. A tynne botell ij d. A male wyth ij male bandys xx d. A pece of lede ij d. Old chiste xij d. Item ij litle pelow berys iiij d. Item iij lynne shetes ij s. vj d. A coffer w^t^ a round lyde xij d. A gardyvyans xvj d. A stoned horse, graye, xx s. A nother horse, graye, xx s. Item ij sadylles w^t^ ij brydilles ij s. A spone, silver and gylte, iij s. viij d. Item iij loode hey ix s. A pare beades of corall w^t^ a small broche xiij s. iiij d. An old cloke w^t^ a swerde iiij s. iiij d. *Summa* ix li. xij s. x d.

In Studio, Libri. Inprimis Mandagud super Electionibus viij d. Item Decreta, sec. fo. *bella*, vj s. viij d. Decretales, sec. fo. (*blank*), iij s. iiij d. Sext' cum Clementinis, iiij s. Dominus Abbas super Decretalibus, cum Repertorio, in iiij^or^ voluminibus, x s. Dominicus super Sexto iij s. iiij d. Decisiones Rothæ iij s. Sabrellus super Clementinas iij s. iiij d. Johannes de Emula super Clementinas iij s. iiij d. Dominicus super Sexto ij s. Historia Josephi Flavii, sec. fo. *Sic enim*, ij s. Alpabetum Aureum, viij d. Baldus super Codice viij s. Bartholus super ff. veteri Codice et novo xij s. Ordo Judiciarius . . . cum processu Belliall, xx d. Bartholus super Extravagan' ij s. Postilla super Epistolis x d. Liber Decretorum scriptus x s. Johannes Athon in script' cum textu, xij d. Speculum Judiciale xij d. Decretales ij s. Unus liber vetus de Diversis Tractatibus ij s. Vetus liber Enforciatus xij d. Instituta cum parvo volumine xij d. Liber Gerochiæ, sec. fo. *Vita brevis*, xij d. Liber de Instructione Principis xij d. Regimen Sanitatis, sec. fo. (*blank*), xij d. Repertorium domini Johannis Mylys xij d. Bedas in Hystoriis xij d. Super Magistro Senten-

old nobils. Johanni Blaxton xl s. Res. Johanni Blaxton et Margaretæ uxori suæ. [Pr. 28 July, 1515.] (Reg. Dec. & Capit. ii. 107.)

tiarum xij d. Vita S. Thomæ Cantuariensis xij d. Psalterium iiij d. Liber Practicarum iiij d. Consilium Constanciæ iiij d. Vita de Job iiij d. Miracula S. Thomæ ij d. Statuta vetera Regia ij d. Statuta Curiæ Ebor., iiij d. Summa iiij li. xiij s. x d. *Summa totalis* ciiij ^{xx}. xiij ^{li}. xj s. xj d.

DEBITA QUÆ DEFUNCTUS DEBEBAT TEMPORE MORTIS SUÆ. Magistro Paule xlj s. ij d. Lotrici, viz uxori Tarte, iij s. Præposito Collegii, pro camera sua, x s. Vicariis choralibus, pro stabilo suo, ij s. In expensis made aboute M. Underwod, tyme of his sikenes, xviij s. iij d. *Summa* iij li. xiiij s. v d.

Summa totalis omnium bonorum defuncti, deductis debitis, c iiij ^{xx}. ix^{li}. xvij s. vj d.

EXPENSÆ FUNERALES CIRCA CORPUS DEFUNCTI IN DIE SEPULTURÆ. Pro cista ij s. iiij d. Pro panibus pauperibus distribuendis xiij s. iiij d. In le maynbrede, tempore exequiarum, ij s. Serevicia eodem tempore xviij d. Pro ij li. le cumfettes xviij d. Pro j li. le Dergy vj d. Pro malvese xxj d. Pro red wyne viij d. Pro claret wyne xij d. Pro x lb. ceræ v s. x d. Soluti magistro gildæ Corporis Christi et aliis presbyteris, clericis, et pueris, x s. x d. Soluti to iiij old men, and the beddill of Corpus Christi gild, for beryng of the torchys, x d. To the parich clerke, for rynging of the howlord * bell, iiij d. In offeryng ij d. To ij women that wond hym iiij d. To the secarstens, for rynggyng, ij s. For makyng of ye grave xij d. To Colson wyf, for watchyng w^{t} hym iij nyghtes, x d. Johanni Richardson iij s. iiij d. To the presoners in the castell xvj d. To the kydcotte and the masyndew viij d. To the bishoppe prison, and other bedemen, vj d. Expensæ factæ in octavo die, ut patet per billam in fact' (*blank*). *Summa* iiij li. xvij d.

LVIII. THE WILL OF JOHN NEVILLE, ESQ.

[Reg. Test. ix. 30 *b*.]

Sept. 10, 7th Hen. VIII. (1515). John Nevell,† esquier. To the iiij Orders off Freers, every of theym xl d. To every Freer off the Blake Freers, Toftes, being preest, & beyng at

* Spoken of, I think, in another fragmentary inv. as the howloyde bell at the Minster.

† According to a pedigree in Dodsworth, v. 112, the testator was a son of (Sir Thomas) Neville of Pickhall and Rolleston, by (Elizabeth) dau. of Sir Wm. Babington. He marr. Anne dau. and coheir of . . Malberthorpe of Sleght, co. Lincoln, by whom he had two daughters and coheirs, one of whom marr. John Newdegate, serjeant-at-law, and the other George Stapleton of Rempston, esq.

my buryall, iiij d. And every novesse ij d. And in likewise to every of the Gray Freers in York, if I deceasse at Yorke. To the eremettes of Saynt Leonerde's at Yorke xl d. To my doghter, Margarett Stapilton, vj goblettes of silver with a cover, my signett of golde with the prent of the trushe which was hir fader's, and my flower off golde with stones, which my wyff bought of my sone Newdegatte. The residew to my right welbelovede doghter, Amfelice Newdegate, wiff of John Newdegate, which John Newdegat I make my solle executour. To Mary Thwayttes my lesse mantell which was hir moder's. In the presence of Richard Mayson Prior of the Freer toftes, Sir Thomas Garton supprior of the same place, my confessor, etc.

[Pr. 26 Apr. 1516.]

LIX. THE WILL OF HUGH AWSTWYKE OF PONTEFRACT, MERCER.

[Reg. Test. ix. 40.]

Nov. 3, 1515. Hugh Awstwyke, of Pontefract, marcer. To be bur. in the church of Allhallowes in Pontefract nye unto the sepultur of my father, John Astwyke. To the monasterie of St John th'Apostle in Pontefract a lyttyll standyng masere, to have *Placebo* & *Dirige*, and one *Saull Masse of Requiem* at the day of my buryall, & to be assollde in theyr chapitor howse, and that their breviter may be sende w^t^ my name to all suche howses of there religion as they be wonte to go after the decesse of any of there bretheren. A chambre to Jhesus gilde, & ij landes to our Lady's service in Allhallowes churche. Wife Margaret. Sons Sir Richard, Hugh, John, & Geo. A. Dau. Isabell. To my cosyn Denys on candilstike with sex Georges. Wife & son, Sir Richard, ex^rs^.

[Pr. 26 Nov. 1516.]

LX. THE WILL OF SIR WILLIAM JOWKYN, VICAR OF RODINGTON.

[Reg. Wolsey, 141.]

Nov. 16, 1515. Sir William Jowkyn, perpetuall vicar of Rodington. To be bur. in the chauncell of Flawforth. I gif that wax, that I have, burne aboute my body, and ij hives of bees to upholde of the light before our Lady of Pietie at Flawforth. I gif xl s. to the parish churche of Preyse, where I was borne, to by halff a fowdour of leede to cover the newe

porche w'all. To my cosigne, John Beyly, that kepeth my house, x shepe, etc., if she have lif and scape this plage* that now reyneth; and it pleas God to take her at this tyme, I will that my ex^rs bye an Antiphonar for my parish church, to serve God w^t all, & iij s. iiij d. to make the newe brigg w^t all where I was borne; & v s. to mende the payment in Prisse in the gate to the churche.

[Pr. 14 Feb. 1515-16.]

LXI. THE WILL OF JOHN AMYAS OF MILNTHORPE.

[Reg. Test. ix. 30*b*.]

Apr. 1, 1516. Be it knawne too all Christen pepull that I John Amyas of Milthorpe, at Arthyngton abbey, hath maid my last will and testament afor Mr Henry Ardyngton esquier, Dame Alice Hall Prioresse of the same abbey, Sir Robert Barnby, parson of Crofton, William Folyfate preest, and oder. My body unto the kyrke yerde where I die. The residewe to Agnes, my wyffe. I give a cowe with calve unto the monasterie of our Lady of Ardyngton, & the Prioresse to have the governance theroff, gyffyng to the sacristen iij li. wax yerely to burne afor our Lady. My wiffe to have in kepyng my evydence3 durying hir lyffe, & then it to be delyvered unto my broder, vicar of Pennyston, Sir Rawlfe Amyas, and unto my iij systers & ther yssue3. To the monastery of Ardyngton iij acres of lande lying at Wakefelde's towne's ende.

[Pr. 21 Apr. 1516, adm. to ex^r.]

LXII. THE WILL OF JOHN YOUNG, MASTER OF THE ROLLS, AND DEAN OF YORK.

[Reg. Holder at Somerset House.]

Apr. 25, 1516. John Yong†, Master of the Rollys and Deane of the metropolitan churche of Yorke. To be buried in the chapell of the Rollys, there as the organs nowe doth stond. Item I will that a tombe be made over the place of my sepulture.

* The plague, or the sweating sickness.

† John Young, Master of the Rolls and Dean of York, the friend and patron of learning, himself a scholar, and dear on that account to Erasmus, who dedicated to him one of his books. I shall not enumerate here his numerous preferments, or his services to the State. He is buried in the Chapel of the Rolls in Chancery Lane, where his monument still remains.

To my Lord of Canterbury a salte of gold, & my two gay saltes clene amelyd, & two billes of dette, besechyng his lordship to be good lord unto my frendes, &, namely, to my poore servauntes. To my Lorde Cardinall a stonding cupp w^t^ a cover clene gilt, besechyng his grace to be good lord unto my frendes & servauntes. To the Newe College of Oxford vj gylt goblettes. To the Newe College of Winchestre vj gylt goblettes. To John Pers, to his wyff & their iiij children, vj c marke, that is to knowe, to every of them c marke. To John Pers & his wyff xl li. in plate. To John Lambard xx li. To the ij children whiche the steward hath x li. To the making of the cundite in Rye c li. I woll that a prest syng for me x yeres in the chapell of the Rollys, & he to have yerely x marcke. I woll that Maister Grocen * shal have his plate delivered unto hym whiche I have nowe in pledge, w^t^oute any maner of redempcion. To my servauntes, John Sutton, Thomas Laward, John Tomson, John Graye, & John Story, every of them, x li. I wol that John Crowe be allowed for his costes into the West Cuntrey lv s., & I gyve him in rewarde lv s. To Chr. Godwyn vij li. which I have of his, & other vij li. To all my servauntes their lyvere & a hole yeris wagys. To John Pers & his wyff, & the heires of their ij bodies, my house at Stepneyth. Ex^rs^ Mr John Taylour doctour, Maister William Throkmarton doctor, Mr William Shragar, & Mr. William Skynner; & I humbly beseche my Lord of Caunterbury to be oversear. The residue to my exrs, to dispose them in dedys of charytie, after ther discrecons, for the welth of my soule & all Christen soules.

[Pr. 17 May, 1516, adm. ex^rs^.]

LXIII. THE WILL OF RICHARD PEKE OF WAKEFIELD, GEN.†

[Reg. Test. ix. 38 *a*.]

In Dei nomine, Amen, June 4, 1516. I Richarde Peke of Wakefelde, gentilman, of an holle mynde and memorie, with fre will and good deliberance, makes this my testament and last will in maner and forme followyng. First, I commend my soull to God Almyghty, to our Lady Saynt Marie, and to all the Sayntes in heven, my body to be buried in the paroch churche of Allhallowes in Wakefelde, in the qwere of Saynt Nicholesse, in the myddes of the loweste goyng, even enens

* The celebrated scholar, whom Young befriends.

† A Will of striking interest, written by the testator himself, and full of information about Wakefield, and his own family. See Glover's Visitation, p. 347.

my stall, when God pleasse to call me to His mercy; and for my mortuarie my best qwyke good. And to the hie alter I bequeth iiij marke, to by a vestement flowede with myn armes and my wyffe's demellede togedder theruppon: and my lyght abowt my corse to be taken of the vicar, yff they be convenient, or elles my wyffe to make iiij tapers of iij pownd weght; and then they to be the vicar's; and a pryncypall candell with iiij lightes spryngyng of hitt; that candell with those lyghtes to stand light every day at the parishe Messe to the utas day, and then the stumpe to be put in on tapere with more stuffe in ytt, & so it to stande lyght every day at the parishe Messe duryng the yere followyng. And to sex pore men that can say our Lady's Psalter & holde a torche, and *Dirige* and *Messe*, every of theym ij d. and his dynner, & to the torches of was for vj lyghtes duryng the servyce that day, ij s.: and to every prest iiij d.: to the clarke iiij d.; the underclarke ij d.; to the bellman all his dewties of the kyrke, & to all other clarkes that kepes daly ther where ij d.: and, to all oder, pence, that do any servyce in the kyrk and can say the vij Psalmes and Latyne, and so to say it and have j d. And to every lymytor of the iiij Orders of Freers for a Sall Messe in theyr places, to be done to theyr brederen, xx d. to every place. And to the gilde of Saynt Christofer in Yorke for a Messe xx d. And to the ancres at Saynt John's, for hir prayer, iij s. iiij d. And to our Lady's gyld at Boston all the arerege dewe therunto both for me and for my wyffe: our entre therto was in the yere off our Lorde God m'ccccc xij; and I to have a Salle Messe done at there *Scala Cœli*. And for pilgrameges nott done, I bequeth to paviment in Northgatte in Wakefelde vj s. viij d.; and iij s. iiij d. wher itt is moost nede, by the discrecion of Sir William Joys preste, to ament a fowll holle abowt the brige. And all thies parcelles above written, I desier my wyffe to be performed and delivered, as shortly after my buryall as canne be conveniently made, by the oversight of John Anne, supervisour of this my last will. Also I will that a stone be laid upon my grave within a yere; and, if they make an ymege of Saynt Nicolesse in the parish church, then I assigne therto iij s. iiij d., and requier them to gyve the old to Saynt John kyrke. Allso I bequeth to the gildyng of Saynt John, now newe made in the kyrke of Saynt John in Wakefelde, vj s. viij d.

Also all such dewtyes as I, the said Richard Peke, gyves with my handes, or oppenly bydes gyve theym, to stand ferme and stabill, or ells nott but by the discrecion and mynde of my supervisour and Elesabeth my wyffe, whom I signe to pay to William Pallmer and Margarett his wyffe iiij markes in money,

or elles in suche convenient pennyworth as they will taike for the said money, iff any theroff be owyng at the day of my buriall; which dewtie I agrede to give to them when I lay seke and att the mercy off God, att the instances and myndes of Master Thomas Knolles subdeane of the cath. churche of Yorke, of John Anne of Frikeley esquier my fader in lawe, and John Peke my sone, Thomas Grene, & Sir Robert Skelton prest, whiche Sir Robert Skelton wrott the said agrement & will of me the said Richard Peke for my iij doghters, for Margarett Palmer liij s. iiij d. which hir husband & she wer fully agrede to for hir full parte . . . & they agreid to receyve the said liij s. iiij d. and to make aquytance generall to me & my executors for hir childe's parte for ever. And, in lyke maner, and afor the said subdeane, withall thies oder gentillmen, I, the said Richard Peke, agrede to gyve to Anne Bolles, my doghter, for hir parte, fyve markes in full contentacion theroff, and . . . to Henry Brodeley & Isabell his wiff, my doghter, vj li. xiij s. iiij d: . . moreover, the said Henry Brodeley is agrede to make a sure & sufficient surrender in the court of Wakefelde of and in the howses sam (*sic*) beldede wherin he now dwellethe, next adjoynyng to the kynge's bakhows, to Isabell his wyff for terme of hir lyff, and to the heyres betwixt theym begotten, for ever. And that my prest immediatly and furthwith after my decesse & buryall say a trental of Messes for me. And the prest, which by the grace of God shall happe to ministre to me the Sacrement with the suffrage, to have xij d. And, ferthermore, by good deliberacion and free mynde, I assigne and gyve to John Peke, my sone, all my cottes of fence of manse body which I have to doo the kynge's servyce withall; and, in lyke wysse, he to leyve them to hys heyres, with my bowes and arrowsse whiche I have as yett, except one cotte covered with chalkede fustian of Henry Brodley's, yt to be delivered to hym. Allso I gyve to the said John Peke my best dublett with my long rydyng knyffe, with my bookes, one borddede, and ij off Lawe, the Statutes, with the booke of my fermys. Also I gyve to myn unkell, Robert Peke, if he survyve me, a dublett of bukscyns, a jackett, hoos, shoos, and bonnett; and I desyer John Pek for hym. And I gyve to every one of my maneall servantes, that tyme dwellyng w^t^ me in howse, ther wages, trewly to be contentede, and every one of theym xij d. in rewarde: and every God childe that I have iiij d.; and to Briane Brounhede one of the iij jackettes. And as yett I, the said Richard Peke, cannott fynnyshe this perfytely after my mynde, for by cawse of such persones as ar frome home, and of such dewties as is awyng to me, and allso that I owe; but yff

awght shuld come to me, the said Richarde Peke, nowe in good mynd and free will, desyers and assignes Elesabeth my wyffe to be myn holl executrice of this my last Will, to content and pay all the parcelles above wrytten conteyned in this my last Will. And to the said Elesabeth, my wiffe, I gyve all my goodes, both w^t^in my howse and w^t^owt my howse, corne, hay, and pasture dewe to me by way of agrement, worde, or jugementt, or oder ways as det to me att this day, or herafter may growe or come to me by any means or ways of truthe. And I, the said Richard Peke, fynyshes this my last Will, and to have this wrytten and fynishede after the tenour and effecte of this written with myn own handes. And Elesabeth my wyffe I make my holle executrice of all my goodes, as ys above said, frely, withowt any accomptes. And, ferthermor, I specially and faithfully desyers Maister Thomas Knolles, our curate, and subdeane of the cath. church of Yorke, and John Anne, hir fader, to gyve to hir ther best mynde and cownsell, and to se that she be nott wrongede. And to thos parcelles, gyven and assigned as heyrelomes afor them, and wrytten by Sir Robert Skelton to be as heyrlomes, and no moo, w^t^owt she gyve ytt on hir good will and mynd without vexacion or trowble of the said John Peke as he will have my perpetuall blyssyng, and no ferder to mell nor hurtt hir: and he to labour for my moder goodes, who hadd all the heyrlomes, and as yett I never hade none of theym. And, ferther, I charch hym nott to mell with any of my goodes. In witnes wheroffe, I, the said Richarde Peke, wrott and fynyshe the tenour and effect of this my last Will with myn owne handes, the day & yere above saide. Thies beyng witnesses John Peke gentillman, Sir Robert Skelton preste, and Thomas Bayly, with many oder moo.

[Pr. 28 Oct. 1516, adm. ex^x^.]

LXIV. THE WILL OF MR. THOMAS STRICKLAND, RECTOR OF STONEGRAVE.

[Reg. Wolsey, 142 *b*.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. Ego Thomas Strickland,* de Fiersard de Kendall, persona de Lowther in Westmerland in the dioces of Carlile, hoole of mynde, of remembraunce, discrecion, and myne undirstanding, I love God of His grace, ordeyns and makes my Will and testament in this maner and fourme. In

* The testator seems to have been a younger son of Sir Thomas Strickland of Sizergh. He was rector of Gosford, in Cumberland, as well as of Stonegrave, in Yorkshire.

the firste I bequeth my saule to Almyghtie God, and Soyne, unto our Lady Saynte Marye and Soyne, unto all the holy courte of heven, and my body to be buried in Kendall kirke in Saynte Kateryne's quere in the same kirke, at the left hand of the aulter in the same quere. Item of this my will and testament I ordeyne and makes Sir Thomas Par, my nevewe Water Strikland,* and my brother Gervase Strikland, *conjunctim et divisim*, my executours cf this my will and testament truely, as my speciall trust is in theyme, that this my said will be fulfilled. Item I will that my nevewe, Water Strikland, have xl li. for such dueties as John Grunnell, his servaunte, knowes of. Item I will that my maister Sir Thomas Par have the best hors that I have fro the kirke served first. Item I will that my nevewe Strikland have xl s. for his labour, and my brother Gervas Strikland, for his labour, to have xl s. Item I will that my sustour Johan have my gowne lyned w^t^ cipars and xl s. of money. Item I will that my servauntes all be truly content and paid all there wages that is served and ron uncontent. Item I will that ilkon of my hynes be rewarded over theire hire xx d. Item I will that Thomas Lamberte have my grey trotting mere and her fole. Item I will that John Loncastre have my grey horse which was Bagley's. Item I will that Sir Miles, my preste, syng for me oone yere at Saynt Kateryne's aulter in Kendall kirke, and he to have vij marc therfore. Item I will that ilkone of my servauntes, that wates and tendes on me, to have iij s. iiij d. to rewarde be their wages that is served. Item I will gif to Kendall kirke xx s. Item I bequethes to my forsaid executours all the residue of my goodes, moveable and not moveable, that my said executours ordour and dispose theyme as thynkes moste expedient, most pleasing to our Lord God, and most heale for my saule, as my moste trust is in theyme in all my nedes. In to the wittenes herof, to this my present Will and testament I inscribe myne awne name w^t^ myne awne hand; and recorde herof, Sir Roberte Tideman, and Sir Nicholas Cartar, Thomas Lamberte, and other mo. Yeven in the Natyvytie of Saynte John Baptiste, in the yere of our Lorde God Jhesu Crist m^l^ dxvj^th^.

[Pr. 10 Aug. and ad. to Walter and Gervase Strickland, coex^rr^.]

* Apr. 26, 1510. Grant to Sir Richard Cholmeley and Eliz. his wife, widow of Sir Walter Strickland, of the wardship of Walter, son and heir of Sir Walter Strickland, on surrender of the patents d. 9 June, 22 Hen. VII., and 9 Aug. 23 Hen. VII., granting the same to the said Elizabeth and Wm. Pennington.

LXV. THE WILL OF MR. THOMAS SHAW, MASTER OF THE HOSPITAL OF THE HOLY TRINITY, FOSSGATE, YORK.

[Reg. Wolsey, 151.]

Sept. 10, 1516. I, Maister Thomas Shawe,* Maister of the Hospitall of the Holye Trinytie in Fossegate. I witt my saule to Almyghtie God my Maker, to our Lady Saynt Marye, and to all the Blessed Company in heven, my body to be buried where it pleas Almyghtie God. Also I witt my bookes to distribute emonges my lovers and familier acquentance in Cambrige or other place abiding, beseching theyme to have me in remembrance; of the which Mr Ridley shall chose oone hole werke or booke, wether it pleas hyme best: also Mr Staynebank, in like wise, next: also Mr Robert Powell the same: also Mr Wayham the same: also Mr Roberte Garrett the same: also Mr Staveley of Saynte Marie Abbey the same. And these having there election, if there be any other prestes or scolers of my familier acquentance in Yorke, or oute of Yorke, seculer or religiouse, as Sir William Robynson of Saynte Leonarde's in Yorke, or Sir Thomas Blithman, some tyme my servaunte, to whome the bookes left maye profitt in studie, I glad that, after the above named, they shulde chose in like wise. Also I witt to Sir William Pynder my violett gowne w^t^ the hudde. Also I witt to Bettrys Smyth a blak nut that (was) his mother's, w^t^ the cover. Also to John Kirkby, her son, a pare of awmer beades and xx s. Also Margarete Kirkby a silver pece that was George Smyth. Also to Sir William Robyson of Saynte Leonarde's a foldyng spone of silver. Also to Agnes Covell vj s. viij d. of lent money, and a pare of awmer beedes gawded w^t^ silver, to remayne after her decesse to Isabelle her doghtour, to the which Isabell I witt a brasse potte and a panne and xl s. toward her mariage. Also to John Shawe, prentise to my fader, one fether bedde w^t^ a bolster and pelowe, one pare of blankettes, ij pare shetes, one pare of my daily occupied shetes, & the other pare of ij bredes not occupied, ij coverlittes, and the coveryng w^t^ an antlop hanging w^t^ a castell on his bakke, and fyve marc in money. Also to Elisabeth, his sustour, the coveryng that

* The testator was inst. to the mastership of Trin. Hospital, Fossgate, on Jan. 26th, 1512–13, on the pres. of Wm. Wright governor of the Merchants Company and Thos. Abbey and Thos. Kytchyn, constables.

He was a son of John Shawe, merchant; Chamberlain 1483, Sheriff 1486–7, Lord Mayor 1510. He died in Jan. 1515–16, and was bur. at St. Crux.

The testator was a scholar and had been educated at Cambridge. The Master Ridley is either Nicholas Ridley, the reformer, or Robert his brother.

lieth upon my bedde, wt a gold ryng enameled; also hir husband xx s. Also to Elyn Jacson, servaunte and kynneswoman unto my modir-in-lawe, xl s. Also to Jenet, servaunte and felowe wt her, iij s. iiij d. Also to Agnes Shate, vj s. viij d. Also to Thomas Gerike, my servaunte, his fynding and scole hire, to the yeres be rynne, that he may (be) sufficiently lerned and made preste, if he be disposed to be preste; and to have for his firste wage vij marc to sing for me; and to continue lenger if my executrix be plesed and he unpurved. The residue of my goodes, my dettes paide, my Will fulfilled, and funerall expenses doone, I witt and gif to Mald Shawe, my moder-in-lawe, whome I make my sole executrix, to see this my Will be perfourmed, praying her for the luf of God, by cause I cannot call all to remembrance I wold as my poer kynnesfolkes and acquentance, that she of her charitie remember theyme wt somme tokyn of remembrance after her discrecion, when they come to her wt such not fulfilled in my fader testamente. In wittenes herof to this my present testamente my seale I have put, the daie and yere above written, thies being witenes, Sir Thomas Seton preste, Raufe Langley, and James Thorne, wt other.

[Pr. 18 Aug. 1520.]

LXVI. INVENTARY OF JOHN TENNAND,* OF YORK, 'FUNDER,' APPRAISED NOV. 12, 1516.

[Ex Orig. penes Dec. & Capit. Ebor.]

THE WIRKYNG CHAMBRE. Item vj dossen spyndylles xij d. A towre stull & ij crukes vj d. Item iij formys iij d. Item in burddes iiij d. In yerne spyndylles xvj d. Item iiij^{xx} eyrth pottes, xij s. Ayne olde hoggshede ij d. *Summa* xv s. vij d.

THE SCHOPPE. Inprimis cc copper xliiij s. In wesshe & thrawe xxvij dossen xliiij s. iiij d. In messelyng xxv dossen & ix li. lj s. vj d. In whitt eyrth ij s. viij d. Item xvij wayre patrons iij s. iiij d. Item ij greytt playttes, xvj d. Item xiiij small playttes & vj floure patrons iij s. iiij d. Item x ladylles and scomers patrons v s. In castyn wayre iij s. A ryght dyshe xij d. Item iij layttes vij s. Item xx huke shankes xvj d.

* 9 May, 1516. John Tenand of the pariche of Senct Elene in York. To be beryed wtin ye kirk garth before ye crosse. To William Cuke my bowe. I wit to be done for my saull & all Cristyn saulles the day of my beryall v *Messes* of ye v wondes of our Lord Jhesu, v *Messes* of Senct Gregory, & on *Messe* of *Requiem*. To Sir Robert Swynburn his burde as langes to the quarter. The residewe to Agnes my wiff. [Pr. 5 Nov. 1516.] (Reg. Dec. & Capit. ii. 113.)

Item ij rowmers ij d. Item ij payre clammes iiij d. Item ij payre scheyrrys viij d. Item ij long fyllys & ij shortte fyllys vj d. Item a payre pynsons, iij graytors, & ij hande burnyshars viij d. A greytt stethe, iiij d. Item ij small stedys viij d. Item ij laytin hamars iiij d. Item iij hake hamars iiij d. Item v cleynche hamers & a pyke hamer xij d. A chaffyng dyshe xiiij d. A ladyll iiij d. A candylstyke funtte v d. Item ij small feytte & vj flourrys x d. A kyste xij d. Item ij shelffys iiij d. In whett stonnys vj d. Item xlvj manderelles ij s. viij d. A gryndstone & cruke x d. Item ij spayddys & a shulle vj d. Item j li. & di. latonweghttes iij d. A stone weghtt of d. c. iiij d. In Yorke moure eyrthe xx d. A yerth burde iiij d. A bauke & scayllys ij s. viij d. *Summa* ix li. vj s. viij d.

THE MELTYNG HOWSE. In eyrth mulddes vj s. viij d. A furnell & wheser ij s. iiij d. In charke collys iij s. Item ij watter pannys vj d. Item ij stullys & a tubbe iij d. Other trache x d. A brayng morter & pestell vj d. The fosse vij s. In old yerne, as furnell, tenges, & wheser iiij s. *Summa* xxxv s. j d.

LXVII. THE WILL OF GUY PALMES, ESQ., SERJEANT AT LAW.

[Reg. Holder at Somerset House.]

In camera ven. viri Mr Guy Palmes, servientis ad legem, infra Sergeauntes' Inn in Flete strete.

13 Nov. 1516. Guy Palmes,* one of the Kinge's Sergiauntes at the lawe. To be bur. in the churche of the White Freres, yf I decesse in London. I will that myn ex^rs^ lay a stone of my grave, and that an ymage of our Lady be sett of the same, & an ymage of my self be made kneling under her. To every of my wife's doughters by hir first husbonde a rynge of xiij s. iiij d. To my brother's wife, & every of my susters a ryng of x s. To every of my brother sonnes vj s. viij d., & to every of his doughters a ryng of vj s. viij d. To Elisabeth, my doughter, to hir mariage, ccxxv marcs, so that she be maried by the advise of myn ex^rs^, or by the more part of theym; which money is nowe in the keping of Johane my wife. After my funerall expenses & other charges doon, all suche summes of money as I have, to be dispoased amonges my sonnes George, Guy, Leonard, Stephyn, & Fraunces, by the discrecion of my

* A younger son of William Palmes of Naburn, Esq., and brother of Brian Palmes of the same place. He married a rich wife, the daughter of a Bristol merchant, and realised a large fortune through her means and his own legal ability.

Guy Palmes died on Nov. 10th, 1516, leaving Brian his son and heir.

wife, my brother Brian Palmes, John Dowman d^r of lawe, & John Rudstone. Where I have bought of Sir Thomas Farefax k^t the mariage of Nicholas his sone & heire apparant, & the covenauntes of the parte of the said Sir Thomas be not perfourmed, if he doo not, betwixt this & Ester next comyng after the date herof, then my doughter Jane to be maried by my ex^rs where as they shall seme most convenient, & she to have cc li. to her mariage; & my dou. Elis. to have as mych as shall make up ccc marcs. To my nevewe, John Heslerton, my best gowne furred w^t fox; & my nevewe, George Scalby, my gowne lyned with chamlet. Where the right reverende fader in God & my most singular good lorde, Richard Bisshop of Wynchester, at my pouer instance & desire, is contented to take the payn upon his good lordshipp to be surveyour of this my testement, my ex^rs to resort & repaire unto him. Ex^rs my wife, my brother Brian Palmes, Maister John Dowman d^r of lawe, & my cosyn John Rudston, citezein & draper of London. The residue to Johane my wife, trusting that she will be loving to my soule, & kynde & loving to my childern. I wille that all suche plate that was bequethed to me & my wife, to the summe of c marcs, by John Drewes, be in her occupacion during her lyfe, & then to be equally devided emonges my childre & Nicholas More childre, then being on lyve.

WILL FOR LAND. 13 Nov. 1516. Wife Joan my manor of Broughton, co. Wilts, & lands in Overton & Guydhampton co. Southampton for life—rem. son Brian & h^rs—rem. son Geo. & h^rs—rem. son Guy & h^rs—son Leon^d & h^rs—son Stephen & do—son Francis & do. She, whilst unm^d, to have my lands &c. in Hesyll co. Hull; if she marry, Leon^d, Stephen, & Francis to have them. Sons Geo. & Guy lands to val. of x marks each per ann. late bought of Sir Henry Long. Son Brian, when 22, my manors of Ashwell co. Rutland & Whitton co. Lincoln, my lands late purch^d of Morgan Cowdrey, & my lands in Andover—rem. son Geo, etc. Son John lands in Efforde val. 10 l. per ann., my manor of Bentworth co South^n.

[Pr. 4 Dec. 1516.]

LXVIII. THE WILL OF WILLIAM FITZWILLIAM OF SPROTBOROUGH, ESQ.

[Reg. Test. ix. 66 *b*.]

March 4, 1516-17. William Fytzwilliam of Sprotburrowe, esquier. To be buryd in the hye quere of our Lady of Sprotburghe, next unto my fader. To an honest prest, to syng for my soull, and those that I am bound to pray for, l marcs, for vij yeres; he to syng the yere in the churche of Sprotburrow. To John Colyn, my servant, v markes, & all suche fees as I have grauntede to hym by patton under my seall and signe manuell for terme of his lyffe, to pray for my soull. I bequeath my blake satteyn gowne furredd w^t blake bugge to the church of our Lady of Sprotburgh. To myn uncle, Thomas Suthill, my blake damaske gowne furrede with foynes, to pray for my soull. To every of my servandes, beyng w^t me in house and howsholde at the tyme of my departyng to God Allmyghty, xiij s. iiij d. for a quarter of a yer, to ther fyndyng, to they may provyde theym of a service, to pray for my soull; and ther wages. I will that William Lord Conyers and all oder hys feoffes, named in a dede berynge date xxvij^t Februarie vij^th Herry VIIIth, shall suffer Thomas Suthill, & oder myn executors, yerely to take th'yssues, etc., owt of the manors of Emley, Haddylsey, & Derryngton, unto syche tyme as all bequestes, dettes, etc., be trewly content. To Umfrey Fytzwilliam, my servant, xl s. To William Tyas, my fermer of Sprotburgh, xl s. My feoffes to be feoffed, after my dettes paide, etc., of the maners of Emley, Darryngton, and Haddylsey, to the use of Thomas Suthill and Margery his wife for terme of ther lyffes—then to the use of Elesabeth Suthill (ther) doghter, terme of lyffe—then to my right heyres. To the said Margery xl li., & to Elesabeth hir doghter xl li., to pray for my soull. My feoffes to make a yerly rent to the valour of xl s. unto George Wentworth, terme of his lyffe, owt of Daryngton & Haddylsey, & a yerly rent of iiij li. owt of them to Umfrey Fitzwilliam, terme of his lyffe;—of iiij li. to William Riddesley, terme of his lyffe;—of iiij li. by yere unto Cecile Tyas, terme of hir lyffe;—of the Parke milne in Emley parke to John Page, for terme of his lyffe. To my cosyn, Thomas Wentworth, my tawny chamb-

* The last of the Fitzwilliams of Sprotborough about whom there is much to be found in the earlier volumes of Wills. Thomas Sothill was the testator's uncle by marriage, whose only daughter, Elizabeth, married Sir Henry Savile of Thornhill and Richard Gascoigne.

let gowne forrede with buggy, to pray for my sowll. The residew to Sir Robert Drury knyght, Thomas Rokeley knyght, Thomas Suthill esquier, Thomas Wentworth esquier, and Hugh Boswell clarke, parson of the churche of Derffelde, myn executors. Thies beyng present John Everyngham clarke & parson of Sprotburgh, William Copley, John Fytwilliam, Sir Thomas Sylles preste, William Tyas, William Fytzwilliam, & many oder.

[Pr. 29 April, 1518, adm. to ex^rs.]

LXIX. THE WILL OF JAMES MAULEVERER OF SEAMER, GEN.

[Reg. Test. ix. 48 *a*.]

May 11, 1517. Jacobus Malliverey de Semer, gen. Sep. in choro capellæ S. Martini Episcopi et Confessoris de Semer. Willelmo Belt meum galbanum ligatum ostro, meam tunicam præliariam, quæ dicitur *a cott of plait*, j *gantelett*, et j falcem præliariam, et galiem. Willelmo, filio Johannis Robynson, mea alba arma præliaria, j par *splentes*, j *gauntleit*, j tunicam præliariam quæ dicitur *a cott of plait*, et j falcem præliariam. Annæ, filiæ meæ, j aureum quod vocatur *a riall*. Domino Radulpho, filio meo, j annulum aureum. Willelmo, fratri meo, j togam pennulatam penula alba agnorum. Willelmo Robynson, famulo meo, j par sotularium quæ dicuntur *stertuppes*. Residuum Johannæ, uxori meæ.

[Pr. 28 June, 1517, & adm. to the wid. & ex^x.]

LXX. THE WILL OF THOMAS LANGTON OF HUDDLESTON, ESQ.

[Test. Ebor. ix. 59 *a*.]

July 23, 1517. Thomas Langton * of Huddylston, esquier, beyng & intendyng to be and continewe the servand of Almyghty God. I bequeath my sowll to Almyghty God, besuchyng our Blyssed Lady Saynt Mary, His moder, and all the gloryous company of heven, through ther holy prayers, to conduc and convey the same unto His most hye mercy

* The pedigree of the Langtons needs reconstruction. One or two of their Wills are printed in this series. Their representation afterwards merged in the house of Danby.

The testator died on Dec. 21, 1517, leaving Thos., son of John Langton his son, his heir, æt. 24.

There is a monument to one of these Langtons in the church of Riccall.

& celestiall glorie, ther to remeyn. To be buryd in such place of the paroch church of All Sayntes in Shirburne as it best shall seyme by myn executours. I will that Sir William Myre prest syng for my sowll in the paroch churche of Shirburne by the space of on yere. To the vicar, for my tythes and offeryng forgotten, iij s. iiij d. To the lyght standyng afor the Holy Rood xiij s. iiij d. To the upholdyng of the lyght in our Lady's chappell vj s. viij d. Towards the upholdyng of the torches to be made by the inhabitantes of Shirburne xiij s. iiij d. To the torches to be maid by the inhabitantes of Wilforth vj s. viij d. I have (given) and delivered unto the service of our Lady Saynt Mary, to the maynteynyng of the same within the chapell of our Lady, at Shirburne, xxx^{ti} kye & sex qwyes, on t'hous beldyde, w^{t} all t'harbege of Fursefelde & Lanerton carres, now in my take of Thomas archbuschope of Yorke; & the profectes to be orderd & distributede as I have devysede & ordeynede by on composicion tripartyte beryng date Apr. vj, 1514. I wyll that the vicar & churchwardens for the tyme beyng schall have the lattyng of the said kye with arbege to ferme; & the residewe of the money that shall yerly com unto the stok, all charges paide, they shall make an oppyn accompte afor my son Thomas Langton, *aut* the Lady preste, & all the parichoners that shalbe ther. To my son, Thomas Langton, & Alienor his wyffe & his heires maille, all my landes, etc., in Collyng & Connandley. To Thomas Langton, son & heyre of John Langton, & to Raulfe Awnger my full power in all maner accions, etc., ayenste th'executors of dam Beatrice lady of Graystoke. To my doghter, Esabell Birkhed, iij kye, iij whies, xx ewes, & xl s., of hir beryng. To every manys & womans servand waged by yere that now is in my serves, & contineweth in the same duryng my lyffe, ij s. And bycause I knawlege *tam* that I have receyvede of the landes of my doghter Jennet Yonge's feoffment the sum of xl li. more than I have payd for hir mariege, and by cause also of the great payn that she hath tayken of long season in the kepyng of my house, I therfor give and bequeath unto Thomas Langton, my son, & to the said Jennet, my doughter, whom I make myn executors, the residew of my goodes. I will that my executors do maike no vijth day for me, but the remanent of my buryall be disposede emonges poore folkes. Allso I will that Richard Awnger and Nicholesse Awnger be rewarded at the syght of myn executors.

[Pr. 20 Feb. 1517-18, adm. to ex^{rs}.]

LXXI. THE WILL OF HENRY PUDSEY, ESQ., OF BOLTON.

[Reg. Test. Ebor. ix. 136 *a*.]

Sept. 6, 1517. Henry Poudesey,* th'elder, of Bolton nye Bolland, esquier. To be beried in the chirch of Seynt Peter and Paule of Bolton. To Thomas, my son, & to his heres malles, ij saltes gilted, one of them coverhed, a notte gilte w^t^ a cover, and a pese gilted with a cover. To the right worshipfull Maister Brian Higdon, deane of the metropolitan church of Yorke, the best horse that I have next unto my mortuary, with all thynges belongyng to hym, for his owne saddell. To every one of my sonys and sonys-in-law a horse, & to every one of my doughtours and doughtours-in-law a mare. To every one of ther childer a cow. I have revoked & cassat al my testamentes. The residue to my nevey, Sir Henry Hanserd, parson of Bolton, & Ambrose, my son, whome I ordene executours, & my lord Dene of York supervisour.

[Pr. 1 March, adm. to ex^rs^.]

LXXII. THE WILL OF THOMAS STAUNTON OF STAUNTON, ESQ.

[Reg. Test. ix. 67 *a*.]

Dec. 30, 1517. Thomas Staunton † of Staunton, esquier. To be buride w^t^in the paroch churche of Stanton. To the

* The head of the ancient house of Pudsay of Bolton. He left a large family behind him, and the Will of his son, Ambrose, follows after a short interval.

† The Stauntons of Staunton represented, if it were possible, the oldest family in Nottinghamshire and famous as well in antiquity as in achievment.

29 March, 1447. Thos Staunton, Esq. of Staunton. Sep. in cem. eccl. B. M. de S. in capella S. Laurentii. Marg^t^ his wife & Thos S. his eldest son executors. [Pr. 4 May.] (Reg. Test. ii. 156.) (The grandfather of the testator.)

13 Aug. 1485. Thos Staunton de S. arm. Sep. in capella B. M. infra eccl. de S. Georgio. Filio meo meam cathenam auream et cistam meam Flandream. Elizabethæ Byngham, filiæ meæ, unum craterem arg. et sex coclearia arg. Margaretæ Tapton, filiæ meæ, unum craterem arg. et sex coclearia arg. The res. to Wm S., my son & heir, & George S., my son. They exrs. Wm Sleford, of Kirkby Laynethorp, gen., supervisor. [Pr. 20 Apr. 1486.] (Reg. Test. v. 280 *a*.) (The father of the testator.)

1 July, 1497. Wm Staneton of S. arm. Sep in eccl. par de S. Son Wm. (under 20) 20 *l*. Wm S. clerk, my bro^r^ & heir. Wife Kath. & Richard Dysnay exrs. [Pr. 12 Oct.] (Reg. Test. v. 505.) (The elder brother of the testator.)

23 Sep. 1504. Wm Stanton, rector eccl. de S. Sep. infra cancellam eccl.

church xxvj s. viij d., to by a crosse wt. To the makyng of the deskes in the said church xl s. To the battelyng of the same xx s. To the church of Kilvington, the chapells of Flaborrowe & Stanton (each) vj s. viij d., to by a crosse cloth wt. A good, discrett prest to syng in the church of Staunton by the space of a yere, & to have v li. I will that my feoffez be seassede of my maner of Staunton to the use of me & Anne my wyffe, for terme of our naturall lyffes, & then to the use of my right heyres, & they to suffer my wiffe to have of the rentes, etc., in Dalington, Flaburrow, & Awfreton, & ij messez in Staunton, unto such tyme that she have receyved cvj li. xiij s. iiij d. To Millicent, my doghter, xl markes. To Elesabeth, my doghter, xl. markes. To Annas, my doghter, xl markes, when they are mariede by th'advysse of my wyffe & hir counsell. To my son John xl markes. The residewe to my wiffe, whom I make soll executrice and ordinarie of this my last Will. Sir John Markham, knyght, supervisor. Witnes Robert Molyneux, esquier, etc.

[Pr. 28 April, 1518, adm. to exx.]

LXXIII. THE WILL OF SIR CHRISTOPHER DANBY, KNT.

[Reg. Test. ix. 72 *a*.]

March 16, 1517–18. Christofer Danby,* knyght. To be bur. at my paroche churche of Leeds wtin the highe quere. My beste horse & harnes to my mortuarie. To the said churche my gowne of crymsen velwett. To a preste, to syng for my soull & all Christen sowlles within the chapell of our Blissede Lady of Walsyngham, duryng an holle yere next after my decesse, iiij li. xiij s. iiij d. For myn expenses funerall the day of my buryall, xxx li. I will that all suche landes as laitt wer putt in feoffement by my fader, Sir James Danby, & by Dame Agnes Danby, my moder, to & for the mariege of my susters be employede to the same use, all such maners, etc., wherin Sir John Nevill, Sir George Darcy, knyghtes, with oder, ar enfeoffede in only excepte. Wheras I have laitly enfeoffede John Nevyll, George Darcy, knyghtes, with dyvers oder, in certeyn landes &c., co. Yorke, I will they maik estait to Dame Margaret

de S. Thos S. etc. Hen. Bozon esq. supervisor, & Mr Simon Yates, Richard Smith of Kilvington clerk & Robert Pecok exrs. [Pr. 5 Nov.] (Reg. Test. vi. 112.) (A brother of the testator.)

* The pedigree of this family is very well known. For the Will of Sir James Danby, the testator's father, see Test. Ebor. iv. 122.

Danby, my wyffe, for terme of lyffe, of landes, etc., in Farneley to the yerely valor of xiij li. vj s. viij d., accordyng to covennauntes of mariege of Christofer Danby, my son, & his wyff, betwix my Lorde Latimer & me laitly maid. Wher the said John Nevyll, & oder, ar infeoffede of my landes as well of Ferneley, as oder, myn exrs to receyve xx li. to the performaunce of my will and the payment of my dettes. Wher I have putt in feoffement to my Lorde Latymer Hallfelde, Scruton, & Exilby, contrary to my promysse, whiche wer in feoffement afor the performance of my fader's will & my moder's, I will that the said John Nevill, and oder, maik astaite to the said Lorde Latymer of the resydewe of my landes in Ferneley, with all oder which my saide feofez ar enfeoffede in, to the said valour of the said Halfeilde, Scruton, & Exilby. The residewe to Dame Margery my wyff, Christofer Danby my son, Thomas Langton, & Jambes Danby, my broder—they exrs. Witnesses Sir John Henryson, Sir John Barnarde, chapleynes, Roger Doddesworthe gentylman, with dyvers oder.

[Pr. 16 Nov. 1518, adm. to exx.]

LXXIV. THE WILL OF ROBERT BROWNE OF HEPTONSTALL, CHAPLAIN.

[Reg. Test. ix. 65*a*.]

March 19, 1517–18. Sir Robert Browne, prest. I bequeath my soull to the mercy of Allmyghty, to His moder our Lady Saynt Mary, and to all the holy company of heven; my body to be buride within the chappell of Heptonstall, foundede in the honour of God & Saynt Thomas of Canterbury; & my better gowne for my mortuarie. To the said chappell, for trespasses & offences that I have done in hitt or in the yerde of the same, in fyndyng or takyng away any goodes ayens the pleasur of Almyghty, and health of my soull, xx s. To the executours of Mr Richard Symx, sumtym vicar of Halifax, for any goodes of his wrongfully hadde, xx d. To Doctor Thomas Brant, late vicar of the said Halifax, xvj d. To my lorde th'archbushope of Dublyn, & nowe vicar of the said Halifax, xx d. To th'executors of Sir Ed' Lache, sumtym vicar of Kyrkham, for any goodes of his wrongfully hadd, xx d. To th'executors of Sir William Huddylston, late vicar of the said Kirkham, for suche thynges, xx d. To the nether Rode of the said Kyrkham, iiij d. Also wher as I dyd make the light of Saynte

Lowe, if I hadd any more money than I spent in the makyng thereof, xvj d. To the Freers of Knaresburgh, for to be broder to theym, and to have their privelege and pardon, vj s. viij d. To the Fraternite of Sayntes Christofer and George at Yorke, vj s viij d. To our Lady in the See, w'in the dioc' of Ely, xx d. To the Freers of Dancastre, that wer attourneys for the Universite of Pathmos, ij s. It is my will to have iiij yerdes of new lynyng cloth boght at my decesse to be wonne in. Allso to be offerd at my decesse xvj d. I will that every prest beyng at my *Dirige* and *Messe* have iiij d., and every clark that can syng, j d. Allso I will that ther be but dispendyd and dalt at my buryall, in brede, ayll, and meytt, xl s. To the chappell of Heptonstall a coppe of velwet, and that my soull, my fader's soull, and my moder's soul be upon the bedrowll, to be praid for ever more, the price of the same xx^{ti} nobilles. Allso to the said Kyrkham a vestment, upon the condicion that my soull, my fader's, moder's, & oder goode frendes' soulles be upon the bede-rooll, to be praid for ever mor, the price of the same vestement xx^{ti} nobilles. Also to Preston churche anoder vestement in the same wysse. Also I will that a prest do syng for my soull, my fader & moder soulles, & other good frendes' soulles at the said Kyrkham, ij yeres; in lyke wysse at Preston ij yeres, & to have xx li. I will ther be a trentall of Saynt Gregorie said and song at Heptonstall for my soull & the soulles of Laurence Bentley & Jennet his wyffe, & the prest to have x s. To the makyng of Sourbridge * v merkes. Witn. Sir Wm Cocroft, curate of Heptonstall.

[Pr. 29 March, 1518.]

LXXV. THE WILL OF SIR MARMADUKE CONSTABLE OF FLAMBRO', KNIGHT.

In Dei nomine, Amen. I Marmaduce Constable,† off Flaynburgh, knyght, holle of body and mynde, the firste day of Maii,

* *i.e.*, Sowerby bridge.

† The head of the house of Constable of Flamborough. 'Little Sir Marmaduke' he was called in an old pedigree, but he was great in courage and martial achievements, and a trusted servant of several kings. He was twice married: first, to a daughter of Lord Fitzhugh; second, to Joyce, daughter of Sir Humphrey Stafford of Grafton, by whom he had many children.

In 1513, when 70 years old, Sir Marmaduke had the honour of being joined with Sir Edmund Howard in the command of the third division of the English army at the great battle of Flodden, or Brankston Field. Cf. Athenæ Cantabr. i. 22.

Sir Marmaduke's Will is in itself a very interesting document, but it be-

in the yere of our Lord God a thowsande five hunderth and xviijth, and of Kyng Henry the viijth the xth yere, makes my testament and last will in maner and forme as hereafter followeth. First I give my soull unto Allmyghty God, and to His blissede moder our Lady Saynt Mary, and to all the Sayntes in hevyn, and my body to be buriede wheresoever it may please God to disposse for me; and, for my corps presant, as custom requiers. Allso I will that my executores fynd and give exhibicion to one poore preste vij yeres; and that he be chargede to syng and praye for my fader and moder soulles, my ij wyffes' soulls, and, allso, generally, for all Christen sowlles, and specyally for all thos soulles that I have hurte in body or goodes in any maner wyse, in recompence; and for the wellfare of all my

comes still more so if we read it in connection with his epitaph graven on brass and preserved on the north side of the altar in Flambro' church, from which I took it, although it is known from other sources. The letters in italics have been omitted in the original to meet the exigencies of the sculptor, and are indicated on the brass by a short line above the omitted letter. I grieve to say that the famous rood-screen at Flambro' has been removed, and the portions of it which are preserved are appended to the west wall of the church. A fragment of the ancient residence of the Constables is in a field contiguous to the church, and just under the sea-bank. In this a long succession of knights and gentlemen resided, with the roll of the waves of the sea continually in their ears. The very name of Constable is now scarcely known in the place.

I give the most interesting epitaph of the testator:—

Here lieth Marmaduke Cunstable of Flaynborght Knyght
Who made aduento*ur* into France for the right of the same
Passed our with Kyng Edwarde the Fourthe y^{t} noble Knight
And also with noble King Herre the Sevinth of that name
He was also at Barwik at the winnyng of the same
And by Ky*ng* Edward chosy*n* Capteyn there first of any one
And rewllid & gouernid ther his tyme without blame
But for all that as ye se he lieth under this stone.

At Brankiston feld wher the Kyng of Scottys was slayne
He then beyng of the age of thre score and tene
With the gode Duke of Northefolke y^{t} jorney he hays tayn
And coragely auancid hy*m* self emo*ng* other ther & then
The Ki*ng* beyng i*n* France with grete nomber of Y*n*glesh me*n*
He nothyng hedyng his age ther but jeop*er*de hy*m* as on
With his sonnes brother saruantt and kynnismen
But now as ye se he lyeth under this stone.

But now all thes tryumphes ar passed & set on syde
For all worldly joyes they wull not long endure
They are soune passed and away dothe glyde
And who that puttith his trust i*n* the*m* I call hy*m* most u*n*sure
For when deth strikith he sparith no creature
Nor gevith no warny*ng* but takith the*m* by one & one
And now he abydyth Godis mercy & hath no other socure
For as ye se hym here he lieth under this stone.

I pray you my kynsme*n* louers and frendis all
To pray to oure Lord Jhesu to have marcy of my sowll.

childeren, kynne, and frend that be lyffyng. And that he be resident and abydyng styll in Cambrige all the said vij yeres, there to attende his lernyng to be a clerke, and to have every yere viij merkes. Allso I will that if any man comme to my executors and shewe any wrong done to hym by me, or if I have takyn any goodes frome hym or them unlawfully or agaynst conscience, I will that they be recompensede as fere as my goodes will streche. Allso I will that my howse that I purchased in Wighton of one Cartwright, wherein I have enfeoffede my broder nowe deane of Lyncoln, John Walleys of Holme, and oder, bothe of Holme and Wighton, to th'entent to fulfyll my will in that behalfe, be guydede and orderede as I have maid my will afore tymes, and as appereth by indenturs maide and tripartytede; wherof one parte remeyns in the kepyng of the churchmasters of Wighton; anoder part wt the churchmasters of Holme; the thirde parte with the Prior of Wartre; and in lyke wyse as it is sett and ordeynede there, I will that it so continewe for ever. Allso I will that the person of Ergham have all his tithes of corne, woolle, and lambe, and allso of all maner catall that goeth upon the grounde there; and allso his closse of xxti acreȝ, the whiche I assignede to hyme, in recompence of his gleibe londe belongyng to his personage when it was a towne, so that my heyres be not incombrede wt the same tithes and gleibe lande as my fader and I have bene. Allso I will that every servyngman in my howse have in rewarde, over and besydes his wages, for his trewe and diligent service done, that is to say, every preste and gentillman xx s., every yoman xiij s. iiij d., every grome and oder servauntes in my howsholde vj s. viij d. And so I will that my howseholde be kepte still and all my servauntes togedere one yere full after my decesse in my place at Holme, to th'entente that they may have leysor to provyde and see for them selfe. And this to be at my costes and charg, and there wages to be content at ther querters, lyke as they were in my daies. Allso I will that the churche of Yorke have to ther warkes x s.; the churche of Lincoln to there workes ther x s. Allso I give and bequeathe to my eldyst sone all my beddynges, hyngyng and napry, sheyttes & pillewes in the kytchin, larderhouse, bakehouse, brewhouse, both at Flaynburgh and Holme, the pottes, pannes, speyttes, fattes, leaddes, tubbes, barelles, and other utensylles belongyng the same howseȝ and the berehowse at Flaynburgh, with the coppre fattes, and all oder vessell belongyng to the same, he to have all this stuffe of my gifte. Allso I give to my sone William, of Hatefelde, xx li. in money or plaite, & all my fermeholdes at Crome, & all my sheipe there goyng. . . . To my broder, Doctor Constable, Deane of

Lincoln, my powder box of silver, for a remembraunce. To my broder, Sir William Turwhitt, my best gilt goblet w^{t} the coveryng, & v^{li}. of gold therin, for a remembraunce. To my doghter Percy one basyn and eware of sylver, for a remembraunce. To my broder, Sir William Constable, my best silver goblett with the coveryng. I make thies to be myn executors, my broder Doctor Constable, my broder William Turwhitt, my sonnes Marmaduce Constable of Everyngham, William Constable of Hatefelde, knyghtes, & my sone John Constable, esquier. To each of my said iij sonnes an hunderth merkes in plaite, & to my sonne John all my sheippe at Tibthorpe, that is to saye, iij hunderth sheipe as they goo upon the grounde; the which grounde I gave unto hym for terme of his lyff afore tyme. To William Hilton, stewerde of my howse, vj li. xiij s. iij d. in money in rewarde, besyde his wages, for his diligent service done and to be done after my decesse. To Robyn Antony, for his diligent service, x pounde. Allso I will that all the residewe of all my goodes, my will and witt worde fullfylled, and my dettes paid, as corne, catall, sheippe, and nowte, at Flaynburgh, Holme, Erghom, & Bartondaill, Somerby, or any oder place both in Yorke shyer and Lincoln shyer, my woolle, plaitt, jewelles, shipps and shyppyng, and all oder good by lande or by see, ungiffen and unbequethed, I will that myn executours and ministers disposse for me as I have appoyntede in the last ende of this will, by the syght & oversyght of my said broder. Allso I will that as sone as it shall please God to calle me owt of this transitorye lyffe, and my body colde, than, withowt callyng of frendes, or any oder solemnytie, or any oder feast or cerymonie, my said body to be buriede, hadde to the churche, and pute into the erth, as soune as it conveniently may. Allso I will that upon the day of my buryall, or upon the morne next after that, therbe kyllede of myn iiij beyffes, and allso takyn of my corne vj querters, wheate or rye; and this foresaide beiffes and corne to be giffyn to the poorest folkes, that is to saye, in Flaynburgh to the nowmbre of iiij^{xx} persons and xij, Sewardby xx, Bridlyngton xl persons, Bukton xx, and Benton xx^{ti}, that is to say to every poore householder w^{t}in the same townes on peise of beiffe, one peke of corne, and j d. in silver. And iff I be buriede at Holme or Sommerby, the foresaid beiffes and corne to be in lyke maner unto v or vj townes next adjoynyng, by the discrecion of myn executors. And for bycause I will ther noo daile be maide nor giffyn for me, callede penny dolle, nor enny almesse delte nor giffen under that maner and forme, I will that every towne and paroche within Dyckeryng, Herthill, and Bucrosse, Owse and Darwent, Howdenshyer, Hol-

dernes, and parte of Lincolnshiere, have both almesse and releiffe as I have appoyntede in viij bylles to this my will and testament annexede; the whiche bylles I wilbe putt in execution as sone as is possible after my decesse; that is to say to begynne upon the morne next after my deathe, and somme of my trusty servantes of my howsholde, or oder substanciall, trewe men, to ryde furth with the said billes, and to delyver to every towne, paroch church, or chappell, the money to theme so lymytt and assignide in the same billes, and the same billes allso; to th'entente to pray for my sowlle, and all Christen sowlles, accordyng to th'entent which appereth in the same billes playnly expressede. And I will that the same intent be playnly shewede and declarede oppenly in every kirke and paroche accordyng. Allso I will that one of my most trusty servauntes be sent to all the abbeys, prioris, & nonnreis, lymyttede & appoyntede, as well w^t^in the Northriddyng as in the Est, & he to aske theme forgiffnes in my name of all maner of trespasez that I have done to theme in hurtyng ther liberties & fraunchesses, there lyvelode, tennantes, churchez, & howses, as well when I was sheriffe of the shyer, as commissionere in assessyng of aides, benivolencez, and oder imposicions by the kynge's commaundement, to the hurt of them, ther lyvelode & tennantes, &, allso, ther houses: and to give every place, to the convent ther, the money assignede and lymytede in the said billes, desyryng theme in the waye of charitie to forgive me & absolve me in their chapitour house; and allso to pray for me, consideryng the sentence and censurs of the churche ar dredefull and many waise unadvisedly a man may fall and trespasse therin, as I fere me that I have done; provided allwais, as is aforesaide, that no dolle be maid nor allmes giffyn at the day of my beryall other waise than I have appoyntede in this my will and testament: and at the daye of makyng of this my last will and testament I stande furthe off dett, excepte fermes, when dayes commys; and, if any dett shall happen to be ine herafter, or dettes owyng to me, they shalbe annexede in a scedull to this my will & testament as case shall requier herafter. And, over this, I will that iff any of my servantes, or breder, or yet any oder person that I have bequeathede, givyn, or assignede any parcell of my goodes unto in this my will aforsaid, doo claym or demaunde any parte or parcell of my goodes by the waye of dewtie, or any oder cause, or any oder maner of cause contrarie to this my testament, or elles by any oder meane . . or lett any parte of this my foresaid will to be fullfillede, than I will that he or they shall forfaitt all such thynges as is bequeathede to hym or theme afore in this my foresaid

will and testament, and that same so forfaittede to be devydede emonges all myn executours, they to disposse it at ther pleasur. Allso I will that my lordeshipe off Holme in Spauldyngmore in the countie of Yorke, and allso my lordeshipe of Somerby in the countie of Lincoln, w^t all the reveneus and profettes belongyng the same, be orderde and receyvede by myn executours, accordyng and to th'ententes to fullfyll my wyll in that behalve, lyke as I have appoyntede by my dede indentede for certeyn yeres as more playnly is expressede in the same. Allso I will that the Whyt Freers and Grey Freers in Scarburghe, the Blak Freers in Beverley, & Austyn Freers of Grymesby, in the countie of Lincoln, thies iiij places, to have, every quarter in the yere, xxij s. ix d., that is to saye, iij d. by the day; for the which iij d. every day one preste, that day bounde to no oder charge, shall syng a Messe for me & all Christen sowlles; &, specially, for thies soulles that I have done any hurte or wrong unto, and knawes not how to recompense them satisfactorie but only by prayers; and the said Freers and preste to have ij d. that day, & so to chaunge daly frome preste to preste that all the convent may fare the better therby; and, besydes, that every day the odde penny to go to the amendement of the pytaunce of the said Freers; and thus I will it continewe after my decesse iij yeres full, in suche maner lyke as I have putt it in execution in my days. And all the residewe of my goodes, this my last will and witworde fulfillede in every poynt and article, & allso the oder parte of my last will, which is indentyd betwixt myn executours and me, for fowndyng of certeyn scolers in Cambrige,* and oder thynges, fullfillede & done by myn executours in every poynt & article, in like maner as is afore, I will it be disposede emonges myn executours att there will & plaisur, & for there owne profectes, as them shall seme best. And thus I commytt my soull to the mercy of oure Lorde Gode, Amen. Datyde at Holme. Witnessez, Christofer Ormesby preste, William Hilton, & Robert Wiske.

[Pr. 27 Apr. 1520; adm. to Marm. C. of Everingham & Wm. C. of Hatfield kts., & John C. Esq., power reserved to Mr. John C., Dean of Lincoln, & Sir Wm. Tyrwhitt, kt.]

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* By deed d. 11 July, 1527, the executors founded four scholarships at St. John's College. They also gave 100*l.* for the foundation of a fellowship to be held by a priest who was to pray for the soul of the testator.

LXXVI. THE WILL OF SIR BRIAN STAPLETON OF WIGHILL, KNT.

[Reg. Test. ix. 70–1.]

July 4, 1518. Brian Stapilton,* of Wighall, knyght. To be bur. in the chapell of our Lady, in the north ylle of the paroche churche of Wighall. My best horse for my corspresaunt. To Chr. Stapilton, my son & myne heyre, my cheyn of golde weyng xx^ti^ unceȝ of fyne golde, & he to fynd a prest to syng in our Lady's chapell, wher my body lyes, vij yeres, for my fader's soull, my moder's soull, my wiffe's soull, and myn, with all good Christen sowlles. To the said Christofer, my son, a basyn and an ewer of silver, & it to remeyn to his heyres ever after; & all my chapell stuffe, as my fader lefte me ytt. To Alice, my doghter-in-lawe, a rynge of golde with a diamond in yt. To every on of my iiij yonger sonnes a yong horse, riden or able to ryde. To Jane Conyers, my doghter, a ryng of golde graved with fedders, which was the last token betwixt my wyffe & me. To Elinor Wharton, my doghter, a ryng of golde with a stone in hit callede a turkes. To Margaret, my doghter, a crosse of golde with a crucifix of the one syde, and the five woundes of the oder syde, with a small cheyn of gold belongyng to ytt. To dame Isabell Stapilton, my doghter, x s. To Sir John Carbot, my chapleyn, x s. To the church of Wighall my tawny damaske gowne, to make a coppe or a vestement, which is thoght more necessarie. I bequeath my crymisen satten dublet, to the orfrayng of a coppe or a vestement, or both, of a gowne of argent damaske, the which my wyff gave to Wighall church. To every house in Wighall, to pray for my soull, iiij d. I will that myn ex^rs^, the day of my buryall, deall penny doll; to prestes iiij d.; to parishe clerkes ij d.; & the parishe clerke of Wighall xij d. I will that myn ex^rs^ cause an hunderth Messes to be done for my soull the viij^th^ day of my buryall; & sex torches (price iiij s. each) to burne about my body & to remeyn to the churche. I bequeathe xiij tapers, xij of theme a li. a peice, in the worshipe of the xij Apostilles, & the xiij^th^ of iij li. in the worshipe of the Fader, the Son, and the Holy Ghoyst, and it to be burnede afore the Sacrement of the alter whilles it will last. To Brian Stapleton, son and heyre to Christofer Stapleton, my son, a flatt cooppe covered silver & gilte w^t^ the talbottes on hitt; & yt to remeyn to his heyres. Ex^rs^ Chr. Stapilton,

* Eldest son of Sir Wm. Stapleton of Wighill and Jane his wife. Cf. Test. Ebor. iv. 221, 273.

my son & heyre, & William Stapulton, my yongest son. Sir John Carbot to syng for my fader's soull, etc., vij yeres, if God leve hym lyfe therto, paying by yere iiij li. vj s. viij d.

CODICIL. Wheras John Stapulton esquier, Nich. Bonney gen., John Carbot chapleyn, & Robt Hawkyng yoman hath recoverede the thirde part of the maner of Farlyngton by a writt entre—& hathe given the same to me in fee symple; I hath enfeoffed the right worshipfull Henry Machell doctor of both lawes & commissarie to my lorde Cardinall of Yorke, Thomas Pooll clerke & parson of Kyrkby Overblaues, Henry Typlady chapleyn, John Norton son & heyre to John Norton of Norton knyght, John Aske son & heyre to Robert Aske of Aghton knyght, Jamves (*sic*) Ros of Yngmanthorpe esquiere late departede, & John Pulleyn of Kyllynghall gen., upon the whiche feoffement I declares my will thus. My said feoffez to make an estate to Brian Stapillton clerke, Launcelotte, Milles, & William Stapilton, my yonger sonnes, every of them xxxiij s. iiij d. by yere, terme of their lyves, out of Ferlyngton, over & besides an estate maid by deide of v markes by yere to them by William Bulmer and Robert Aske knyghtes, with oder, as appereth by covennandes of mariege betwixt me and William Aske esquiere. If my son, clerk, be promotede by reason of prebende, or benifice, or oder promocion to the valor of x li. or above by yere, his parte shall remeyn to my right heyres. My feoffes to make an estate of vj s. viij d. by yere to dame Isabell Stapleton, for terme of hir lyffe, (to cease) if she be callede by the grace of God to be prioresse of the house of our Lady of Synnyngthwayt.

[Pr. 26 Sep. 1518, adm. exr.]

LXXVII. THE WILL OF JOHN COWPER OF YORK, BUTCHER.

[Reg. Test. ix. 71 *b*.]

July 5, 1518. John Cowper, butcher, par. Criste Church in Connyngarth. I will that Margaret my wyff, or another, ride or goo pilgramege * for me, that is to say to oure Lady of Burgh, to oure Lady of Kerlell, to Kyng Henry of Wyndesour, and to the Roode of Dancastre at the brigge end, after my dethe, if I do it nott, nor cause it to be done before my dethe.

* There is room for an interesting volume on the English places of pilgrimage. Much may be learned about them from these volumes. Foreign antiquaries are before us here as in almost every other point of antiquarian research. The work of MM. Sivry and Champagnac on "Pèlerinages Anciens et Modernes,

LXXVIII. THE WILL OF MARTIN BOYNTON, ESQ.

[Reg. Test. ix. 78 *a*.]

Sept. 2, 10th Henr. VIII. I Martyn Boynton,* esquier. My goodes to be devydede in iij partes; my wyffe to have one parte; my son Henry Boynton an oder. The residewe for the well of my soull, payment of my dettes, etc. To my lady, my god moder, the rewle & guydyng of my sonne duryng hir lyffe, whome I besuche humbly to taik hym as hir sonne & so to use hyme. To the use of Rowesby chappell xl s. To every of my three nevoyes, Mathewe Boynton, Marmaduk Tunstall, & Brian Tunstall, a stagg. To my suster Boynton, wyffe unto my broder Thomas Boynton, my beste amblyng horse. Ex^rs my broder Thomas Boynton, Sir Thomas Franke, & Sir William Pynder. To ychone of them iij li. vj s. viij d. & ther expenses. My Mr Sir William Bullmer, my moder Dame Margarett Boynton, my suster Dame Isabell Tunstall, & my broder Thomas Tempest supervisors, to every of whome I bequeath iij l. vj s. viij d., beseechyng all theym myn ex^rs & surveyors to doo for me and my soull as myn especiall truste is in them most of creatures lyffyng.

[Pr. 15 Mar. 1518–19, adm. to ex^rs.]

LXXIX. THE WILL OF MR. WILLIAM AIKERODE, RECTOR OF MARSTON.

[Reg. Wolsey, 146.]

In Dei nomine, Amen, xij^mo die Septembris, anno Domini millesimo quingentesimo decimo octavo, Ego, Willelmus Aikerode,† sanus mente, senex et debilis corpore, condo testamentum

et des Lieux de Dévotion," appears in M. Migne's celebrated series. But much may be added to it.

5 Aug. 1521. John Hewett of Friston-super-aquam. I bequeath a penny to be offerid at Brantingham, a penny at Sent Saviour's, a penny to our Lady of Bell Crosse, a penny at our Lady of Doncastre, a penny to Sent Sebastian. To the Freres of Pontefract a wyndle of barlye malte. (Reg. Test. ix. 172 *a*.)

* A younger son of Henry Boynton and Margaret, daughter and coheir of Sir Martin at Sea.

The Wills of his brother, his mother, and his sister, Dame Isabel Tunstall, will follow in due course.

† A son of Richard Akroyd, of Hebden Bridge; inst. rector of Long Marston near York, June 13, 1477.

It will be seen that he puts his lands, etc., in trust to maintain a scholar at Oxford or Cambridge. This trust is still running, but in a somewhat altered form, and now produces a large sum annually by which several scholars are

meum in hunc modum. In primis lego Deo Omnipotenti animam meam, Beatæ Mariæ Virgini, et Omnibus Sanctis, corpusque meum sepeliri in cancello meo de Marston, alias Hoton Wandesley, juxta corpus matris meæ. Item lego optimum meum animal reverendissimo in Christo patri et domino, domino Thomæ Cardinali Romæ, titulo Sanctæ Ceciliæ, atque archiepiscopo Ebor., sive alteri illam sedem habenti canonice, nomine mortuarii mei. Item lego idoneo presbytero septem marcas bonæ monetæ Angliæ, ut oret pro anima mea, et animabus parentum meorum, et omnium benefactorum meorum, per spatium unius anni in præfata ecclesia. Item lego duas torchias dictæ ecclesiæ, et unum Gradale, et duas quarterias siliginis iiij^{or} ordinibus Fratrum in civitate Ebor. inter illos dividi. Item lego duas quarterias brasii de ordio pauperibus parochianorum meorum. Item volo quod M. Henricus Aikerode, et Edmundus frater ejus, habeant omnia tenementa mea, quæ emi a Thoma Sothell et ab Edwardo Copley, in eorum exhibitionem, dum continuant, vel eorum alter, Cantibrigiæ vel Oxoniæ, scolis vacando et addiscendo, si exhibitionem non habeant. Insuper volo quod prædictus Henricus Aikerode, et Edmundus frater ejus, cum Henrico Draper, et aliis feoffatis meis, qui occupabunt terras et tenementa mea, unum scolarem Oxoniæ vel Cantibrigiæ custodiant, usque ad finem mundi, et quod ille sit michi propinquus in sanguine et mei nominis, Aikerode, etiam aptus addiscere bene; et, si non fuerit aliquis nominis mei habilis, eligant Henricus Aikerode et Edmundus frater ejus, cum Henrico Draper, unum habilem in sanguine michi propinquum alterius nominis: et cum ille scolaris qui ibidem fuerit sit beneficiatus ad valorem decem marcarum, feoffati mei alterum, et ibidem custoditus in expensis suis ad valorem vj marcarum vj s. viij d., per annum, et non ultra, ne denigens fiat; et si non sit aliquis habilis de sanguine meo, eligant feoffati unum de Marston, sive de Hoton, qui est habilis, sic quod unus sit semper ibidem, et oret pro me, parentibus, consanguineis meis, pro patronis, parochianis, et benefactoribus meis imperpetuum. Et lego omnes libros M. Henrico Aikerode et Edmundo fratri ejus. Item lego omnibus presbyteris in exequiis meis vj d. Residuum vero omnium bonorum do et lego M. Henrico Aikerode, Edmundo fratri ejus, et Henrico Draper, ipsosque ordino et constituo executores meos, ut ipsi bona mea ordinent

assisted to the University, Batley Grammar School receives a considerable pecuniary gift, whilst the residue, amounting to some hundreds of pounds yearly, is paid over to the Leeds College of Science.

The surname, Akroyd, is common in the West Riding. It signifies the *royd* or *ridding* in the *oak* wood.

et disponant ut eis melius videtur Deo placere et animæ meæ proficere; et Magistrum Robertum Wada, in Sacra Theologia baccalarium, ordino supervisorem præsentis mei testamenti. Hiis testibus, domino Johanne Tailour, Johanne Shan, Thoma Acom, et aliis. Datum die et anno supradictis.

[Pr. 16 Oct. 1518, & adm. to Edmund A. & Henry Draper coex^{rs}; power reserved to the other.]

LXXX. THE WILL OF JOHN PEROT, PRECENTOR OF YORK MINSTER.

[Reg. Dec. & Cap. ii. 118.]

Feb. 2, 1518-19. John Perot,* chaunter of the Metropolitane church of York. To be buried in the church of Sanct Peter of York, if it pleas God that I departe my lyffe in theis parteis. To a prest to syng for my saull in the chappell over the bodie of my lait lord the Bushop Savage, & for my said lorde's saull & all Cristen saullis, eght markes, for thre yeres. To Antony, Thomasyn, & Elez. Eden, children to my nece the wiff of John Eden,† to every oon of yame, fyve marces. To my servaundes, Michaell Williamson, Myles Pereson, Richard Newman, John Cooke, Thomas Corwell, John Loksmyth, & John Wilbarne, xx s. each. The res. to my ex^{rs}, the right worshipfull Mr. Thomas Dalby Archdecon of Richmund, & John Eden, my nevewe-in-law. Witnes Mr Thomas Donnyngton subtresourer of the church of Yorke, Sir Cristofer Seel subchaunter of the Vicars chorall, Sir John Lounesdall.

[Pr. 12 Feb. 1518-19, adm. to ex^{rs}.]

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* There is little known about John Perot, Precentor of York, 1503-19. Perhaps he was possessed of a *vox, et præterea nihil.*

We learn from Newcourt that he was a B.D. and a prebendary of London before he came to York. Archbishop Savage was his patron, upon whose flat tomb was placed the altar at which the Precentor was prayed for.

† Feb. 3, 1520-1. Johannes Eden. Sep. in cath. Ebor. in arcu boriali juxta sep. Mr. John Perote & Alex^{r} Foster. 15 *l.* to a priest to sing for my soul & those of Archbishop Savage, Mr John Perot, my parents, etc. Willelmo Harington j togam ranestellam, pellatam cum agninis pellibus nigris. Res. Agneti ux. & Wm Cure—they ex^{rs}.—My Master, Mr Hugh Ashton, supervisor, to whom I leave 'unam magnam cratheram stantem cum auriato coopertorio, quæ nuper pertinuit Magistro Johanni Perote.' [Pr. 18 Apr. 1521.] (Reg. Test. D. & C. ii. 121.]

LXXXI. THE WILL OF WILLIAM BROKDEN OF GARGRAVE.

[Reg. Test. Ebor. ix. 80 *a*.]

March 16, 1518-19. Willelmus Brokden. Sep. infra eccl. S. Andreæ de Gargrave. Lego jus tenementi mei uxori meæ et Ricardo, filio meo,—cum licentia domini abbatis, always besuchyng my lorde and his brederne to have in remembraunce what great besynes and trowble I have hadde for my fermeholde; and how I was promysede by my Lorde Pictñ, and Sir Thomas Tempeste, with the sufferaunce of my Lorde of Northumberlande, a sufficient take, to me and myn, of the sayd fermeholde; and that I shulde have byldyde certeyn chambre and housez, and as yet not done, wherin I besuch theym to be good to my wyff and my childeren. And where my tytill is in a fermholde callyde Elynthorpe, eyther to have the fermhold or xl s., I will that Nicholes, my broder, have my titill, and to give to my wyff and my son Richard xl s.; or elles the tytill to returne to my wyff and my sone, and they to agree w^t^ the lorde as easely as they may. Allso I will that if a lede that is in Preston, for the which I have paide and hadde great besines, may be hadd to my wife and my sone, I gyf y^t^ theme: and, if nott, I put it to ther consciance that deneys it.

[Pr. 10 Apr. 1519.]

LXXXII. THE WILL OF BRIAN WENSDALE, NOTARY AND PROCTOR OF THE COURT OF YORK.

[Reg. Test. Dec. & Cap. Ebor. ii. 121.]

July 3, 1519. Brian Wensdaill, of the citie of Yorke, notarie and procuratour of the courte of Yorke. To be bur. w^t^in the cath. church of Yorke, or w^t^in the where of our Blissed Ladie w^t^in Sanct Martyn church in Conyngstrete. I will that thar be spent abowt my bodie bringing fowrth in brede, aill, wyne, & other expensis the day of my buriall xl s., wherof the same day I will thar be spent for the saing of on trentall x s. Item I will, after this, thar be oon other trientall said for me, after the forme of Sanct Gregorie trientall. My father & mother. To my suster Elez. at London a crose of gold and enamelid. To my suster Wighell on gold ring w^t^ a stone in it. To my brother at Camebridge a dublet & a jaket. To my brother Richard a curse gowne, etc. To ather of my

susteres att home a gold ring. To Mr John Metcalf a litill buyk, viz Dicisions of Root. To Mr Robert Cheston a litill buke, viz. Mandagot. To Mr William Wright a litill booke, viz. Mandagote. To Mr Richard Bower a litill buyke, to the valour of ij s. I will that the lx li. that I shuld have hade in mariage by my wiff, and hir porcion besides, be departid in iij, wher of my parte to content my dettes, the secund parte to my wyffe, the therd partt to my child, if God send hir on; and, if that she have none child, then I will she have hir partt hooll and my part to content my dettes. The residewe . . . to Dorithe my wiff, & to Janet Wensdale, my mother, whome I make myne executrices, so that thay may thame ordre and dyspose as thay shall thinke best for the helth of my saull, after the mynd of Mr Thomas Dalby, th'archedecon of Rychmound whome I desier to be supervisour. Witnes Sir Thomas Ovington the vicar of Sanct Martyn in Connyngstret, my curate, Mr John Bateman of the citie of Yorke, notarie, Sir John Moselay, prest, and Robert Hogeson, scolar, w^t other.

[Pr. 23 July, 1519.]

LXXXIII. THE WILL OF JOHN FOX OF TOPCLIFFE, CLERK.

[Reg. Test. Dec. & Cap. ii. 119.)

July 15, 1519. I John Fox, clarke. To be buried w^tin the where, nyghte to the lavatori, w^tin the chapell of our Lady funditt in Topclif church erth. And I bequeith for my mortuarie my best gode according to the accostome. To everie prest being w^tin the parich of Topclif, and being at my *Derige* & *Messe*, vj d. And to the ij° parich clarkes, for the bellis ringing and singing at *Mese* and *Derigie*, ather of thame vj d. And to all other prestes, every on of thame iiij d., and to scolares of the parich of Topclif, evere on of thame j d. Item I bequeith ij lb. et di. of wax to be burnyd in v sergez the day of my buriall abowt my herse, and vij^th^ torchez, which lyes in my chawmer at the chauntree house of Topclif. And I bequeith to vij^th^ poer men that holdes the said torches, every on of thame j d., sayng our Ladie Sawter for my saull. Also I bequeith xiij s. iiij d. to be spent the day of my buriall at denare of thame that offerz w^t me. And I gyve to evere howse w^tin the parish of Topclif j d. I wit to William & Ric' Fox, my bredren children, xij^th^ sylver spones, to be devidid betwixt thame equally—to remayne from here to here. To the iiij Orders of Freers of Yorke for saing *Derige* and *Messe* for my

saull, every Ordre iij s. iiij d. To the Freers of Sanct Roberte's of Knaresburgh, for saing *Derige* and *Messe* in like maner, as afore is said, iij s. iiij d. To Margaret Byndlous, my suster, and to hir ij° doghters, all my bedding, raymentes and clothez, and other hustilment of houshald. I bequeith xij li. of money to Sir Thomas Raper prest, to syng and pray for my saull, the space of iij yeres w'in Topclif church, evere yere iiij li., and to helpe to mayntene God service thar, and the said Sir Thomas haith occupied and entred into the said service seth Sanct John day of Beverlay in May. Also I bequeith xx s. for on obbet, to be done in the said church, evere yere during the said iij yeres, vj s. viij d. Also I ordyr & makez executours . . Sir Richard Fox, Sir John Settill, clarkes, to whome I bequeith xiij s. iiij d. for thar labour and besynes herin; and the residew . . . ., to dispose it emonghtes my frendes fcr the helth of my saull. Witnessith Mr Andrew Newman, vicar of Topclif, etc.

[Pr. 13 Sept.]

LXXXIV. THE WILL OF THOMAS ROBSON OF YORK.

[Test. Ebor. ix. 84 *b*.]

Aug. 8, 1519. Thomas Robson, preste. To be bur. in the church of the Holie Trinitie in Micklegate, before the image of our Lady of Pity. To Jambes Ferne a pryntede booke callede *Sermones Discipuli*. To Eliz. Baildon a tache enamyllede. I wyt a payntede cloth of th'ymage of our Lady, with her Son sowkyn on hir breste, with a similitude of a preste knelyng, to be honge in the churche of the Holy Trinitie in Mykkylgate. I wit an ymage of Saynt Kateryn, to be hunge in the chappell of Saynt Kateryn without Walmbegate barr.

LXXXV. THE WILL OF JOHN TOCKETTS OF STANGHOW.

[Reg. Test. ix. 87.]

Oct. 15, 1519. John Tockettes * de Stanghowe par. Skelton. Sep. in ecclesia monasterii B. M. de Gisburne, coram

* The ancient family of Tocketts of Tocketts in Cleveland has been long extinct. There is a pedigree in the Visitation of Yorkshire for 1584. The following extracts will extend it:—

Sept. 20, 1430. Jacobus Tocottes. Sep. in cem. Canonicorum de Gysburn juxta corpus patris mei et matris mese. Eliz. uxor, Lawr. Baxby, Ric. Bank & Tho. Colvill cap. executores. [Pr. 6 Nov.] (Reg. Test. ii. 637).

altari Jesu Christi crucifixi, ex parte boriali, ubi Willelmus Tokottes, pater meus, et uxor ejus sepulti sunt, si placita sit Domino Priori et Conventui; pro qua lego j bovem. Monasterio, pro absolutione mea, ij boves. Willelmo Tockettes, fratri meo, vj s. viij d. Rogero Tockettes, fratri meo, vj s. viij d. Aliciæ Tockettes, sorori meæ, xx s. Pauperibus de Tokcottes iij s. iiij d. Capellæ de Tockettes, pro vestimento sacerdotali, vj s. viij d. Willelmo Linns totum meremium lignorum pertinens iiij helmis. Residuum Rogero Tockettes, & Johanni Granger capellano, executoribus. Wm. T. supervisor.

LXXXVI. THE WILL OF ANTHONY MIDDLETON OF YORK, MERCHANT.

[Reg. Test. ix. 107.]

Oct. 15, 1519. Antony Middleton,* of the Citie of York, marchaund. To be beried in the south side of the qwhere of my parishe churche of Seynt Michaelle's, ny to the body of Maister Robert Johnson,† alderman. In almes to the Castell, Bishop-prisons, Kidcottes and Lacer housses, to every person, beyng poore folke or prisoner, j d. I bequeath on trentall of Messes to be downe at Kirkby Londesdaill for my soull, my

Oct. 25, 1461. Prob. test. Jacobi Tocote, decanatus Clyveland, arm., & adm. to Eliz. his wid. & ex^{x}. (Id. ii. 456.)

Apr. 5, 1526. Wm. Tocottes (de Tocottes) in parochia B. Nich. de Gisburne, arm. Sep. in eccl. mon. B. M. de Gisburne. Priori de Gisburne optimum meum le stag. Conventui xl s. Cuilibet filiolo meo, per Rogerum, fratrem meum, bene noto, xij d. Volo quod executores mei persolvant et performent ultimas voluntates Rogeri Tocottes militis, avunculi mei, et Roberti T., fratris mei, in omnibus. Aliciæ T., sorori meæ, 3 *l.* 6 *s.* 8 *d.* Elizabethæ, uxori meæ, j le stag. Rogero, fratri meo, unum equum, et filio suo, Rogero, j equam. Res. uxori Eliz. et Rogero, fratri—they ex^{rs}. [Pr. 30 July.] (Reg. Test. ix. 345.)

* The testator was probably a member of the ancient family of Middleton of Middleton in the parish of Kirkby Lonsdale, who settled in York as a merchant. There is nothing known about him except what this document tells us. We have a picture of St. Michael's church and parish, of which the Editor is the rector. The master, and, no doubt, kinsman of the testator, Oliver Middleton, lived in the same parish, and died a few years before.

Jan. 19, 1504-5. Oliver Middilton, of York, merchaunt, seying ye unstableness of this dissayvable warld. To be buried in ye hy wher of my parich church of Saint Michaell, nyght ye body of Maud, my wyf. To the mariage of iij pure maidens x s., ilkon on tham xl d., of which on is dwelling w^{t} me. To Sir Edmund Middilton, to sing at Ripon by an hole yere for my saule, my fader and moder saules, etc., vijth marks. To my suster Margarett, to pray for my sall, vij s. To Antony Middilton, my servaunt, vj li. To my neghburs, for a recreacion emong tham when thai please, ij s. To Jane, my wif, ij tenementes in Ripon, for terme of her lyf. Son Symon. Broders John & Robert. [Pr. 15 Feb. 1505-6.] (Reg. Test. vi. 130.)

† Cf. Test. Ebor. iv. 180.

father saull, and all Cristen saulles, x s. To the Somer-game * lyght in my parishe chirche ij s. To our Lady's lyght in the southe side ij s. To Seynt Agnes lyght xx d. To the lyght that the childer fyndys in the said chirche xx d. To my neborows, in the way of recreacion, to make mery w^t all at ther pleasure, vj s. viij d. To John M. tanner, & Raynold M. kapper, iij li. Rich^d M's. wif. To Sir Edmunde M., for that at he has downe for me in tyme past, and to dispose as I have commandett him to do, xxx li. To my broder, Symond M's childer, whos names is Miles and Antony, iiij li. To my sister, Sibell Burroe, xx s. To my sister Ratclif & hir childer xx s. The residue to Johan, my wif, John my son & Sir Edmunde, my brother, to ther owne propre behovys.

[Pr. 20 June, 1520, adm. to ex^r.]

LXXXVII. THE WILL OF BRIAN PALMES OF NABURNE, ESQ., SERJEANT-AT-THE-LAW.

[Reg. Test. ix. 90 *b*.]

Oct. 31, 1519. In the name of the Fader, the Sonne, and the Holy Goste, our Blissede Lady Saynt Mary, & all the holy company of hevyn, I Bryan Palmes, Sergeant at the lawe.† To

* The Summer-game was a mediæval pastime, popular and gay. Here and there a light in a church kept up its name and connected it with religion. By Will d. Jan., 3rd Edw. IV. Richard Askam of Kirk Deighton left "lumini vocato Somer-game light iij buȝ. brasei ordei." (Reg. Test. iii. 288.)

In 1438 John Belvas, clerk, of Wistow, left "Lumini Æstivali in eadem ecclesia v s." (Id. iii. 398). There is a suit in the Ecclesiastical Court at York from Wistow, in 1469, which gives a novel and charming picture of this summer festival. A witness, named John Gafarer, æt. 26, says that "die Dominico articulato accessit cum Thoma Barker de Wistow et Margareta More, in regem et reginam ipsius villæ in ludo suo æstivali, Anglice Somer-game, forte electis, cum nonnullis convicinis suis, mimo sive histrione cum sambuca præeunte, ad orreum cujusdam Johannis Dodman, prope et juxta cœmiterium eccl. par. de Wistow, ubi ludus ille per nonnullos annos retroactos teneri solebat. In quo quidem horreo, ut dicit, loco adtunc vulgariter dicto Somer-house, prædicta Margareta More, a dicta hora duodecima, viz. meridie diei Dominicæ, usque post solis occasum continue permansit, ludo ipsi auscultando, et jocundam se faciendo in eodem, honeste tamen, ut eidem conveniebat."

One man says that he was seneschal; another, butler; and two, knights to wait upon the queen. A hundred persons were present. On the Sunday after, Barker was married at Sherburne, "idcirco postea officium regale in ludo prædicto non exercuit."

We have here one glimpse of the entirely unknown treasures contained among these Ecclesiastical Proceedings, which begin in the thirteenth century. I have made a hand-list of the cases for the first 300 years and more.

† The head of the very ancient family of Palmes of Naburne. He was a wealthy and successful lawyer, like his brother Guy. He was thrice married. His first wife, Eustachia, was, I believe, a Heslerton. His second was Ellen Acclom of Moreby to whom he had a licence to be married in the chapel

be buryede in my paroche churche of Saynt George in the citie of Yorke, if I dye within the said citie or within the shyer of Yorke; and, if I dye in any oder place, than I will my body be buriede in a place of Freers, next unto the place wher I dye. And as for expensez at my buryall, I will they shalbe maide at the discrecon of myn executours. Allso I will that myn executours cause *Placebo* and *Dirige* and *Messez* to be done solemply, and belles ronge, in as convenyent tyme as they may after my deathe, at Wheldryke, Eskyrke, Rykall, Styllyngfleytt, Acastre-Malby, Bishopthorpe, and Fullforth; and disposse to pore pepull in the same parishynges certeyn money in allmesse, as they shall thynke convenient. To the vicar of Saynt George, for tithes and oblacions forgotten, xl s. To the iiij Orders of Freers in the citie of Yorke, evynly to be devydede emonges theym, iiij li., ychone of theym to doo for my soull *Placebo* and *Dirige*, and *Messe of Requiem* solemply with notte, and to meyt my body the day of my buryall at the crosse * betwix Fullfurth and Yorke, and bryng it to my paroche churche. Also I will that the Maister of Corpus Christi gilde and his breder come and receyve my body at Naburne, and ther to doo *Messe* and *Dirige*; and so to goo with my body to buryall to my paroche church, for the which I will they have xx s. Allso I will that a trentall of Messez be done for me the day of my buryall. Also I will that a preste doo syng for me vij yeres, wherso my body fortunes to be buryede, or elles at Naburne, as shall seme best to myn executors; and he to pray for the soull of me, my father and mother, Anastase and Elyn, my wyffes, and Anne Roos, and all Christen soulles, and he to have yerely to his sellary duryng the said vij yeres, iiij li. xiij s. iiij d. Allso I will that all such persons as be seasede to my use of all such landes and tenementes as I did purcheys of John Acclom in Naburne, & of one Blyth, callede Barneby landes in Naburne, & of Eltoffes in Naburne, & of the heyres of Sir William Todde in Naburne and Gatefullfurth, be & stand seasede to the use of Nicholesse, my eldyste sone, and Johan his wyffe, and to the longer lyffer of theym. And allso I will

within the manor-house of Moreby on Nov. 15th 1493. His third wife was Anne dau. of Sir Thomas Markenfield, and widow of Chr. Conyers of Sockburn, Esq. His lineal descendants still hold Naburne, which has been in the possession of the family at least from the time of King John.

The will of his brother, Guy, has been already printed.

Brian Palmes died on Dec. 1, 1519, leaving Nicholas his son and heir, æt. 20.

* The base and part of the shaft of this cross still remain. In the year 1604, during the great plague, the country people used to bring hither their produce to sell to the townsmen. The money they received was first laid in water.

that all suche persons as be seasede to my use of landes & ten^{tes} as I dyd purchesse of Sir Henry Wyott Knyght in Pelyng (?), and of Aydame Tesedall in Aynderby-wighthe-Steple, stande seasede to the same use. I will that all such persons as be seasede to my use of landes, etc., as I dyde purchas of Sir Henry Wyott k^{t} in West Heslerton; of landes, etc., I latly purchased in Thorp Bassett; of all such landes, etc., as I have in the townshype of Eskirk, stande & be seasede to the use of William Palmes, one of my yonger sonnes, for terme of his lyff. My landes, etc., as late were Thomas Kyddall's in Huke; & those as I dyde late purchesse of John Burton of Yorke, gentilman, in the townshipe of Northduffede; & such landes, etc., in Rikall which lately were Jambes Cherleton's, and not solde nor assignede to any chauntrie there, to Richarde Palmes, an oder of my yonger sonnes, for terme of his lyffe. I will that eyther of my yonger sonnes, William & Richarde, have an hunderthe merces of my goodes. To George,* my yonger son, nowe persone of Sutton, xx li. & a standyng cuppe of silver with a cover percell gilte, which hathe a fayne in the knoppe of the cover, and an hande in ytt, in full recompense of his porcion, with oder costes & charges that I have susteynede, as well in gettyng of his Bulls as oderwysse. I will that Brian, an other of my yonger sonnes, have his resonable porcion of my goodes, & that his moder have the guydynge thereof & of hym. The landes, etc., as I dyde purchese of Christofer Eltoftes in Holtby; & those as I dyde purchesse of Sir John Cutte knyght in Elvyngton & Sutton; and those that I dyde purches of Sir Henry Wyott knyght in Burythorpe and Barthorpe, to stand seasede to the use of me, & Anne my wyffe & the heyres of our two bodyes. I will that my said wyffe, & other myn ex^{rs}, receyve the yssue$\mathfrak{z}$ of my maner of Naburne, & of all my landes & tenementes in Naburne, afore not assignede, except suche landes, etc., as Sir William Bulmer kt is infeoffede in to the use of my wyffe for terme of hir lyfe; except allso my maner place & orcherdes as they be inclosed in w^{t} a pale; & except my kylne house & suche howse$\mathfrak{z}$ as perteyneth to husbandry to the said place & grounde as they be closede in with hedges; which place & odere afore excepte I will my wyffe have unto my sonne Nicoles come to the age of xxx^{ti} yeres; and the issue$\mathfrak{z}$ afore not excepte I will my wiffe & ex^{rs} receyve, unto Nicoles my sone come to the age of xxj yeres, towardes the fynding of my sonne$\mathfrak{z}$, William, Richard & Brian. My wiffe, yf she marye not, & oder myn ex^{rs}, to have the rewle of my said sonne$\mathfrak{z}$ to they thynke they be able to rewle

* Archdeacon of York and confessor of Cardinal Wolsey.

& guyde such thynges as I have bequeathed them. My housholde servantes, except such as gothe at my husbandry, to have ther holl yere wages, above that they have deservede at such tyme as it shall please God to call me to His mercy, and I will they have meat & drynke a quarter of a yere after my departure, if they will abyde. I will that my wyffe have all such plaite as I hadde with hir, & all such stuffe of householde as came from Sokburne, over and above hir porcion of my goodes. I will that myn exrs by a vestement & all thynges that longeth thertoo, of the price of xl s., & sett myn armes and Anne my wiffe's therupon, & giffe yt to my paroche churche; & that they give xl s. to the churche maisters, to be spent in reparacion of the chirche & ornamentes for the same as herafter they shall nede. Where as my sonne in lawe, Sir Thomas Conyers knyght, awe unto me thre hunderthe merkes upon awarde & agrement maide betwixt us, I will that Nicoles Palmes, my sone, & his wyffe, suster to the said Sir Thomas, have an hunderth merce therof; & an hunderthe merke to my son Brian; and if the said Sir Thomas be contendede that thus be performede, than I will that he be dischargede of the residewe. I will that my exrs disposse x li. in amendyng of high wayes for seke and som' from Carr land gatt to Awesten flatt. I will that the rewlers of the chappell of Roclyffe besydes Burrowbrige have xij li., to purchas landes, etc., to the yerely valour of xiij s. iiij d., towardes the fyndyng of a preste in the said chappell for ever, to pray for my soull, Anne, Eustach', and Elyn my wiffes, and Dorothe & Anne Roose my doghters, & all Christen sowles. To my doghter Normanvell, my doghter Skergill, & my suster Grene, ichone, a ryng of golde, price xiij s. iiij d. To my sone Normanvill a bey meyre that cam frome Bynsell. To my sone Skargill a sorede meyre. To my doghter Babthorpe x li. To my doghter Margery a ryng of gold price x s. & xx s. in money. I forgive my broder, Thomas Heslerton,* all suche dewties as is betwixt hyme & me & I bequeath to hym myn owne bay horse that I ryde upon my selfe. To Guy Heslerton xiij s. iiij d. To Brian Heslerton my godson xx s. To my nevoy Bulmer wyffe a mylke cowe, &

* Sept. 27, 1520. Thomas Eslerton, dominus de West Eslerton. Sep. in cancello Omn. SS. de West Eslerton. Fabricæ eccl. x s. Edmundo Eslerton, fratri meo, vj s. viij d. Roberto Nawton, fratri meo, vj s. viij d. Margaretæ, sorori meæ, vj s. viij d. Johanni Eslerton, filio meo, nisum meum, viz. meum goshawk. Guidoni Eslerton, filio meo, xiij s. iiij d. Willelmo, filio meo, xiij s. iiij d. Ellenoræ, filiæ meæ, j equam coloris albi. Annæ, uxori meæ, j mes. etc in Helperthorp ad term. vitæ suæ. Res. Briano Heslerton & Margaretæ H., filiis meis, quos constituo exec. meos. Test. Mag. Ric. Radclif rectore de West Eslerton, etc. [Pr. 28 Oct., adm. to exrs.] (Reg. Test. ix. 120.)

a ryng of gold price vj s. viij d. To my nevoy, John Heslerton, my tawney satten dublett & x s. To my nevoy, Brian Palmes, my newe dublett of velwett. To my suster his moder a ryng of gold price xiij s. iiij d. I name John Acclome, Guy Wilstrope, Roberte Roos, and Nicoles Palmes esquires, & George Palmes clerke parson of Sutton to be feoffez of all suche landes, etc., whereoff William Babthorp of Osgodby esquier is bounde to me by his obligacion to make a lawful astate. The residewe I will shalbe dispossede by Anne my wiffe, Sir William Bulmer knyght, Sir Guydo Dawny knyght, Thomas Langton of Rickall gentyllman, Jambes Duffelde gentillman, Richarde Ellys clerke, & William Marshall, whome I make ex^rs.

[Pr. 11 Jan. 1519–20, & adm. to ex^rs, save Langton and Marshall : res. to them.]

LXXXVIII. THE WILL OF JOHN WALWORTH, OF RAVENTOFT.

[Reg. Test. ix. 94.]

Feb. 14, 1519–20. John Wallworth * of Ravynetoffe. To be buriede in the bodie of the church of Saynt Wilfride of

* A family of consequence in the parish of Ripon for many years.

July 16, 1437. Adm. Tho. Walworth of Ripon to John W. of Bishop Thornton. (Reg. Test. iii. 499).

Jan. 16, 1458–9. Johannes Walworth de Thornton. Sep. in eccl. coll. B. Petri de Ripon. Summo altari iij s. iiij d. Fabricæ eccl. S. Rob. de Knaresburght v s. Roberto Sheripp, vicario, oraturo pro anima mea, xx d. Quatuor Ordinibus Fratrum Mendicantium civ. Ebor., oraturis pro anima mea, iiij s. Volo quod Joh. W., filius meus, habeat quatuor juga boum et sex vaccas lacteas. Volo quod Katerina, uxor mea, habeat medietatem omnium terrarum et tenementorum meorum in Thornton pro termino vitæ. Res. to Wm, Thos, & Henry, my sons. Ex^rs. my wife, John Birtley, & Chr. Kendale chaplains, & Wm W. my son. At Thornton. [Pr. 12 Feb. 1458–9.] (Reg. Test. ii. 394.)

On March 10, 1458-9. The Archbishop desired the Abbot of Fountains to veil Catherine, widow of John W. of Thornton Wood. [Reg. Wm Booth, 206.]

May 15, 1470. Domina Katherina W., vidua. Sep. in eccl. coll. B. Wilfridi, Ripon. Capellæ de Thornton v s. Katerinæ Laton, filiolæ meæ, v marcas, Matildæ, filiæ meæ, j vaccam. Res. Ricardo Goldesburgh, filio meo, et Ricardo Frankisse & Margaretæ uxori. [Pr. 18 Jan. 1470-1.] (Reg. Test. vi. 155.)

May 4, 1521. Margarete Walworth of Raventoftes. To be beriede in the body of the Kirke of Saynt Peter and Wilfride of Rypon beside my husbande. George Gargrave and John Walworth, my sons, executours. I witto Margarete Walworth, my goddoughter, a prassour. To Jenet Walworth, th'onger, a silver spoyne. To Thorneton chapell xxvj s. viij d.. to the byeng of a chales, with this condicion, if neighburs of the lordeshipe will be bond that what prest so ever thei have, that he sall syng *Messe* twhyse is a weike at Thorneton chapell, to pray for my sall, and my husbande's; and if it be so that this condicion be not performed nor fulfilled, it shalbe lefull, and it is my will that my executours shall cause a preist to syng at Rypon in my parish kirke for me and my husband, so far as that money wil extende and reiche at the sight of my executours. The residue—I witto my childer. I witt ij

Rypon above the fonte. I witt, for my mortuarie, my best beist. I witt, for my buriall, to the vicars and ther ministers wt the chauntre prestes, xiij s. iiij d. And to every seculer prest, beyng at *Messe* and *Dirige*, iiij d. I witt to the monasterie of Fountaunce iij li. vj s. viij d., to be absolvede from all maner of trespaces that ever I dyde to them. I witt to Saynt Robert of Knaresburgh iij s. iiij d. I witt to a preste, to syng in Ripley churche for the soull of William Bekwith and myn, iij li. I wit to a preste, to syng for my soull and for the soulles of my fader and moder, iiij li., in what place it shall please myn executours to be done. I wit to John Carnes, my curate, to pray for my soull, vj s. viij d. I witt to Thomas Abbot, my chaplen, iij s. iiij d. I wittoo every man servant in my house xij d. and to every woman servant in my house ij s. To the makyng of the high alter in Rypon vj s. viij d. For forgotten tithes ij s. To Thomas Wallworthe wyff vj kye to the bryngyng up off her childerne. To Mararie, my doghter, childer every of them a whie. To Emmott, my suster, xl s., beside the residewe of that that is unpaide that my father wit to hir in his testament. Sisters Mary & Margaret. To Margaret, my wiff, x marces for hir feoffement and hir thirdes, and she canne be so contente; and if she cannott so be contentede, I will she have v marces for hir feoffement and taik hir thirdes as it shall fall, by the advyse of myn executours. Allso itt is my will that all the heyrelomes to my house belongyng shalbe kepte to the behoove of myn heyre by myn executours, and they to be delyverede to hym what tyme he commes to his full age. To John Wallworth, my son, my violett gowne furredde with shankes, and a chamblett dublett. To William Wallworth my best jackett. To George Gargrave my violet jacket cloth unmaide. To John, my broder, of Hornby, a ledder dublet and a pair whitt hosse. Allso it is my will that my fermeholde that I tooke of my Lorde Cardynall for terme of yeres to me and myn assignes, that John Wallworth, my sonne, occupie and take the profyte thereof to the tyme myn heyre come to his lande, providede allway that the foresaide John Wallworth, my sone, shalbe sworne to myn executours that he shall nott hurte nor harme myn heyre, nor make no ferther clame to the foresaid fermholde what tyme as myn hayre shall comme to his lande. Allso I will that all such landes as I stande in estate of to the use of Thornton chappell, that they shall goo towardes the fyndyng of a prest to syng on the warke day at Ravynstofte, and on the holyday at Thornton chappell, as haith bene usede

whissynges to the hye altar and to my curate, Sir John Carver, iij s. iiij d. [Pr. 8 May, 1522.] (Reg. Test. ix. 22 *b*.)

afore tyme; and that myn heyre shall have the dominacion and the rewll of the lande accordyng as I and myn auncytours hath bene usyde afore tyme. I make myn executours Sir Ninian Markinfelde knyght, Sir Richerde Mallyverey knyght, William Danby, and Sir Robert Whixley prest. The resdewe of goodes, my dettes paide, and funerall expenses maide, I witt to Thomas Wallworth childer bryngyng upe, and to be devydede emonges them by evyn porcions. To everyone of my executours xx s., which I ordeyn and constitute myn holle executours for the health of my soull.

[Pr. 14 May, 1519.]

LXXXIX. THE WILL OF SIR THOMAS SUTTON OF AVERHAM, KNT.

[Reg. Test. Ebor. ix. 148 *b*.]

May 4, 1520. Thomas Sutton,* knyght. To be beryed in the chirch of Seynt Wilfride of Averham, in the chauncell, betwixt my father & Seynt Michaell. I bequeath, the day of my beriall, iiij torches, beyng burnyng abowte my body, & iiij poore men to bere theym, and to have iiij gowneth, half white, half blake. Also I will that vij tapurs burne abowte my body the same day w^t^ other small candilles, and al other thinges necessary I put to the discrecion of my executours. I wil that my son & here have al my harnes, as cotes, jakkes, sallettes, splentes, brigandyns, gesterns, bills, bowes, arrows, swerdes, dagers, peces of white harnes; & ij peces of golde callyd sufferaunce. To every of my (other) sonys xx li. To every of my v doughtours a hundreth markes, & every of them (to) be ordered in ther mariage by the counsell and advise of my wif, Kateryn Sutton, my brother in law Richard Bassett knyght, & Henry Sutton, my son & here. I wil that Francys Talbott lord Talbott, John Biron, & other my feoffees be seased of the site & mansion of my maner of Averham, to the use of

* The Suttons of Averham were one of the best of the Nottinghamshire families. The testator, a son of Henry son of Robert Sutton, marr. Catherine dau. of Thos. Bassett of Fledburgh.

1416. Henricus de Sutton, dominus de Averham. Sep. in eccl. S Wilfridi de Averham. Margaretæ, uxori meæ, duas pecias argenteas. Johanni Bryggeford unum parvum goblet argenti. Volo quod Ricardus, filius meus primogenitus, vel aliquis alius fratrum suorum quem heredem meum esse contigerit, habeat, cum ad plenam ætatem pervenerit, duas pecias argenti cum cooperculis, totam armaturam, etc. Rectori de Averham togam meam de scarleto furratam cum calabre. Averham. (Reg. Bowett, 365).

Oct. 13, 1468. Admon. Richard Sutton of Averham, Esq., to Wm. Cantrell (Reg. Test. iv. 64.) This was the testator's great-grandfather.

Kateryn, my wif, for terme of hir lif, & she to have my landes in Kelom, etc. The residue to Kateryn, my wif, and Herry, my son; they executours. I make surviour the right honorable & my most singler good lord th'erle of Shrewesbury, besekyng his good lordship in the way of charite to se that my executours doo ther duety, and help theym—for the which my mynd is that my son & here shal doo such poore service to his good lordshipe and his heres as his poore power will extend.

[Pr. 20 Apr. 1521, adm. to ex^rs.]

XC. THE WILL OF THOMAS BOYNTON.

[Reg. Test. ix. 251.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. I Thomas Boynton of Rowsby, hoole of mynde and body, wherof I thanke my Maker, by this presente makes this my testament and last will in forme folowyng. First, I bequeath my saull to Almyghtie God, my Maker and Redemer, and to our Lady Saynte Mary, His moost blisside moder, and to al the holye Saynctis in hevyn, and my body to be beriede there as my executours shall thinke moost conveniente, with al duytes to the churche due and accostomede. Item I witto Hynderwell kirke x s. Item to Rowsby chapell xl s. And to the kirke of Acclome vj s. viij d. Item to the Freres of Growmount vj s. viij d. Item to the Monte Grace vj s. viij d. Item to the Observauntes Freres of New Castell a fatt ox. Item to the iiij Orders of Freres xx s. Item to the Frere Baker vj s. viij d. Item to the Priour of Gisburne vj s. viij d. Item to our olde M. an olde noble. Item to the Convente, xl s. Item to Sir John Battersby xij d. Item to Sir Christofer Clerke xij d. Item to Sir Robert Newam ij s. Item to every howse in this parishe iiij d. Item to Robert Harlande vj s. viij d. Item to Adam Watson vj s. viij d. Item to William Clerke vj s. viij d. Item to Henry Brasse, iij s. iiij d. Item to every servaunte, hynde and made, viij d. Item to William Sawter iij s. iiij d. Item to John Smalewod iij s. iiij d. Item to ichon of litill nevois a marc. Item to my broder, Sir John Bulmer, a gelddyng. Item to my sister Tunstall my reng with the blu stone. Item I witte to my son, Thomas Goldesburgh, & his wif, xx li. if she lif to he come to age of xxi yeres, and that thei lye togedder; and if anythyng bot good happyn the said Thomas, as God forbede it shulde, than I will

* A son of Henry Boynton, Esq. He mar. Cecily dau. of James Strangeways of Sneaton. Other wills of members of the same family will follow.

cc merkes be takyn by my executours of my landes and goodes to the helpyng of my said doughtour Jenet; and if it please God to call the said Jenet to His mercy afore carnal knowlage hade with the said Thomas, then I will al suche sommys as my broder, Thomas Strangwais, shulde repaye to me, be disposid for the well of my saull, & to t'helpe of my nexte kynsfolkes at the discrecion of my wif, my executours and supervisours. Item I witto them a feder bede and al suche stuf as longes to it at the sight of my wif ther moder. Also I witt my son Haldenby & his wif vj li. xiij s. iiij d. and al the feoffamente frome this day to be resayvede to ther use, and suche stuf to be bought withall, as ther moder my wif shall seme best for ther profitt. And if it please God to call my said doughtour, Anne, to His mercy, afore carnall knowlage hade with hir saide husbande, than I will that al such summys as my broder, his fader, shulde repay to me, be disposide for the well of my saull, & to the helpe of the next of my pure frendes, at the disposicion of my wif, my executours, and supervisours. Item I witto them a feder bede and suche stuf as longes to it at the sight of my wif ther moder. Item I wit my son Matho my chene, if it may be sparide, and my dettes paide. Item I witto hym al my hermes: Item I witto hym al my Englishe bookes. Item I witto hym a feder bede & al that longes to it, at the sight of his moder. Item I wit him viij of the best silver sponys, the standdyng salt, the coverde pece, the chales, & my Agnus of golde, and at al thes to be heire lomes, and his moder my wif to have the kepyng of thes to his use as long as she kepeth hir sole. And if it please God to take hyme, as ever I put hym to His wil & mercy, then I will that all thes my bequest to hyme be disposede as my wif thynkes, and other my executours and supervisours, to the use of my ij doughtours, and to the performans of this my last will. Item I witto William Genkell iij s. iiij d., which I lent hym. Item to James Backhowse my best bonnet. Item where certayn of my frendes standdith feoffid in my landes for the performans of this my last will, as it appereth by ij dedes of feoffament sealede and subscribide with my hande, I hertely pray them to suffir my wif and executours to resave the saide landes to al suche summys be paide as I have giffyn by bequest by this my last will. Also I will al my landes in Foxholes and Bowthorpe to Sir William Pynder, terme of his lif, and he to resave them to his uses, prayeng for my fader, myself, and other my frendes, and to be with my wif as long as she kepethe hir sole, and els there where my bonys lies, at his pleasour; and, this fulfilled, I will thei stande seassede to my next here, ever my wife thirdes excepte; and if I have forget-

tyn anythyng that shulde be for the well of my saull, I beseiche my wif and my executours to remembre me as my verey trust is in them, and to se my dettes be paide I hertely pray them; and ever I will my wif and my childer be at the gidyng of Sir William Bulmer and my moder, trustyng thei will gif to them ther best counsill for my sake, and soo hertely I ever beseiche them. Also I make my executours of this my last will and testament my wif, Sir Thomas Franke clerke, Sir William Pynder prest; and I give for ther labour to ichon of them iij li. vj s. viij d., ther expenses in my causes to be takyn of my goodes. Item al such summys as is unresavede of Sir William Bulmer for the mariage of my sonne Matho, I will my wif & my executours resave them to th'use and performans of this my last will and testament. Item I will al my landes in Langtofte to my wif, to gif in almos to my son comme to his full age. And if any of my goodes remayne in my executours handes, my will and testament fulfilled, then I gif them to my wif, if she kepe her sole, which I put to hir discretion; and, if she mary, than I will my other executours dispose it to my childer and for the well of my saull. Item I make supervisours of this my last will and testament Sir William Bulmer knyght, and my moder Dame Margarete Boynton, and I bequeath aither of them a horse and xl s., ever besechyng al my frendes that shall se this my poore will, to take it after this my intent, and amende it wher it shall stande nede, besechyng al them, my executours and supervisours, to do for me, and my saull, as my speciall trust is in them moost of creatours liffyng. In wittenes that this is my last will and testament, I have setto my seall and subscribed my name with my hande, the xiiij day of May, in the xij yere of our soveryng lord, Kyng Henry the viijth. Thes witnessez, Sir Robert Newam, Sir William Pynder, prestes, Adam Watson, William Taliour, with other.

Also I gif to my son Mathew all my landes, the whiche I have of my moder gifte, that is to saye in York, Poklyngton, and Buttircram, besechyng my moder of the same as I may pray for hir. Item I will my sone Matho the thre obligacions, the whiche is not dew to me or eft my moder or my sister Sayer decesse, the whiche obligacions is for his mariage, and he to discharge my executours (and) resave the saide sommes to my behove. Item I wit Petir Percy xx s. Item to Cristofer Marton a gowne. Item to William Wiske a jakett.

[Pr. 23 April, 1523, adm. to ex^{rs}.]

XCI. THE WILL OF RICHARD ASKWITH OF OSGODBY.

[Reg. Test. ix. 197.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. The xxiiij day of the moneth of Maye, the yere of our Lord God M[l] D. xx[ti], I Richarde Askewith,* myghty of mynde, and hoole of remembrance. I wit my sal to Almyghtie God, our Lady Saynte Mary, and to al the Sayntes in hevyn; and my body to be beried wher it please God. And my mortuary as the costome is. Also I gif and witto the hye alter of our kirke vj s. viij d. Also I witto th'Abbot of Biland xx s., and to every monke viij d., and to the Freres August' iij s. iiij d. Also I witto Herry, my son, my best horse, excepte my mortuary. Also I witto Cecilie, my doughtour, vj marc land, which that my wif was content wyth all; of the which, xlv s. viij d. lyes in Muscroft, and th'oder in Beverlac. Also I witt my son Herry my best gowne, cott, gyrkyn of velvett. Also I witto William, my son, secunde rayment. Also I witto Rauf, my son, a tawne worset dublet, and a patlett of velvet. Also I witto William, my son, ij parties of my farmehold at Osgodby, and my office, by the licence of th'Abbot of Bilande and hys brether. Also I witto Richarde, my son, theird of my farmeholde at Osgodbe, and my farmeholde in Westerdaile. Item I gif and witto Rauf, my son, iiij markes lande in Silton, and the residue that ther is. To Richard, my son aforesaid, al my landes in Carleton and Barnby and Langton of Swale. Also I charge that my fader will be fulfillid. Also I gif to my sister, Jenet, a foole, and to my doughtour, Cecilie, a whie and a calf. Item I gif to Mr Roger Lassels xx s., to se that my will be fulfillid, and to be good frende to my childer. Item I make my executours my wif, my son Hery, my broder Lawrence, and William, my son. Thes witnes, Sir John Dicson, Sir John Warderopper prestes, John Gill, & John Boynton.

[Pr. 12 Dec. 1521.]

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* The Askwiths of Osgodby, near Thirsk, are probably connected with the Askwiths of East Newstead, in Richmondshire. They held Osgodby by lease from the Abbot and Convent of Byland, and afterwards acquired the estate which they held until the close of the seventeenth century.

XCII. THE WILL OF RICHARD WILFLIT OF HULL.

[Reg. Test. ix. 117.]

In Dei nomine, Amen, the iij day of the moneth of Junii, the yere of our Lord God M^l D. xx^ti, I, Richard Wilflite, in Kingston oppon Hull, maryner, beyng of a perfitt mynd and holle memory, maketh and ordeneth this my present testament and last will undir this maner and forme. First I gif and bequeath my saul to God Almighty, to our Lady Saynt Mary, and to al the celestiall courte and company of hevyn, & my body to be beried in the Trinitie kirke of Hull aforsaid. Item I gif, in the nayme of my mortuary, my best garment. Item I gif and bequeath to the Trinite chapell xx s. Item I gif to the kirke warke a tre worthe xxvj s. viij d., thay lowying in the tre I had of them, being in valour iiij s. Item I gif and bequeath for my tithes and oblacions forgettyn vj s. viij d. Item to the Sacrament of the hie alter xx d. Item to the shryne xx d. Item I will have a lighte founde before the Trinitie in the Trynitie chapell for me and my wif, the terme of bothe our liffes, and God sent hus to do w^t all; a nother before our Lady in the August' Freres, als long; a nother before Seynt Kateryn in the said Freres, duryng the said tym; and the fourte before the Roide of Dripoll, als long tyme. Item I gif and bequeath to the Holy Bloid of Welslayk iij s. iiij d. Item to our Lady of Walsyngham iij s. iiij d. Item I gif to William Pyvell a dubbill dukkett, prayng hym to be good frend to my wif in hir neid. Item I gif to my brother, Symonde Turton of Wakefield, my geldyng, w^t al pertenyng to hym. Item I gif to Elene, my wif sister, iij s. iiij d. and a gowne. Item I gif to Thomas Abbot my tawney dublett w^t stokkes of velvett and a velvett patlett. Item I gif to Thomas Grene a chamlett jakkett. Item to Elisabeth Abbot iij s. iiij d. Item I gif to iij of my madyns, ychon of them xvj d., and to Margaret viij d. Item to Rolland Pottes a yolow dublett, j jackett, and a pare of white hoose. To William Grene of the Well a worstett dublett w^t sleves of chamelett. Item to Robert Wilde of York a hyngar. Item to William Michelson a swerd and a bukler. The residue of al my goodes undisposed I gif Agnes my wif, whome I make my ful executrix of this my present testament and last will, and she to dispose it for the helthe of hir saull and myne as she thynkes best. In witnes herof I setto my seale. Thes witnes, Jamys Johnson, Arthur Wellys, Petir Roger, Herry Lambley, and Thomas Wardell, with other.

[Pr. 5 Oct. 1520.]

XCIII. THE WILL OF SIR HENRY THWAITES OF LUND, KNIGHT.

[Reg. Test. ix. 124 *a*.]

June 30, 1520. I, Sir Herry Thwaites,* of Lounde, knyght. To be bur. in the church of Alhalowes of Lound, in the chauncell where Agnes my late wiff is buried. My best beest, aftir the church, for my mortuarie. To the buylding and upholding of the same church xx s. To the vicar for tithes, oblacions, & other dueties by me necligently w^t^holden, w^t^drawen, or forgoten, vj s. viij d. To every Ordour of the iiij Ordours of Freres of Beverley vj s. viij d., to pray for my saule. To every church of iiij moder churches w^t^yne Yorkeshire vj s. viij d. Unto the nonnes of Watton vj s. viij d., to pray for my saule. To the house of Wartre vj s. viij d. To Anne, my wiff, my cheyne of gold. To Frauncys, my doghtour, one device of golde w^t^ v diamondes and dyverse perles in it. To Kateryne, my doghtour, one litill tablett of golde wt relickes, crisom lases, &, also, my crucifix of golde. To Elyn Killyngale,† my sustour, xx nobles. To Kateryne Povy xl s. To Jane Lancastre xl s. To Isabell Chambirlene xxvj s. viij d. To Sir John Noble preste xl s. To Davy, my shepard, iij li. vj s. viij d. To an hable preste, to syng & say Masses daily, when he may lawfully be disposed, w^t^yne the chauntery in the church of Lunde, by the space of vij yeres next ensuying aftir my deth, for my saule, the saule of Agnes late my wiff, the saules of my fader & moder, & all mynauncestres, iiij li. xiij s. iiij d. yerely. To every householder w^t^yn the towne of Lunde xij d., to praie for my saule. I will that at the daie of my buriall xiij poor men shall holde in their handes xiij torches burnyng aboute my hers duryng all the tyme of my *Dirige* & *Masse* of *Requiem* songen, unto whome I bequeth xiij blak gownes w^t^ xiij blak hoodes. I will that xij li. wax et di. be made in xiij serges, & the same shalbe holden w^t^ xiij childryne, havyng on theyme their rotchittes,

* The will of the testator's grandfather, Edmund Thwaites, has been already printed (vol. iv. p. 175), Henry, son of Henry, son of Edmund Thwaites and Joan his wife, being the heir of Edmund, and æt. 14 in the 15th of Hen. VII. There is but little known of the testator or his family save from these two wills. From a Feodary's book relating to the Percy estates in Yorkshire, which is now before me, I find that Frances, Sir Henry's daughter, was her father's heiress. She married Sir Thomas Gresham, and had Lund for her portion. From the Greshams Lund went to Sir Henry Neville, and from him to the Remingtons.

Beatrix Lady Greystock mentions her son Herry Thwaites & Agnes his wife.

† She was probably the wife of William Killinghall, Esq., of Middleton St. George, co. Durham. He left a widow, Eleanor, living in 1526 (Surtees's Durham, iii. 222.)

aboute the saide herse the daie of my buriall, duryng the saide tyme, wt myne armes therupon. I will that every poer man & woman & childe being there have j d., to praye for my saule. To my cousyn, Sir John Constable knyght, my best gowne. To myne uncle, Peers Bigott, my blak, trotting gelding wt a white fote. My feoffees Sir John Constable, Sir Marmaduke Constable, Sir Water Calverley knyghtes, Peres Bigott, Rauff Bigott, Herry Savile, esquiers, of landes, etc., wtyne the countie & citie of Yorke, the Bushoprick of Duresme, & the countie of Lecestre, to stand seised of them to the use of me & my lawfull heres, & then to my right heres, & they to bryng up my ij doughtours to they come to full age. James Sandall, my servaunte, xxvj s. viij d. Thomas Covell xx s. John Vincent xiij s. iiij d. William Pereson xiij s. iiij d. John Tipping xx s. I will that Philipp Gibson, my servaunte, have, terme of his liff, the belywik of Lunde wt xxvj s. viij d. fee. My wating servauntes to have the fees standing for their service doone & to be done, for terme of their lyves. The residue to Anne, my wiff, & Frauncys & Kateryne, my doghtours. My wiff, Sir Marmaduke Constable knyth & Roger Wilberfosse gen. exrs; to each of theyme x marc.

[Pr. 2 Aug. 1520, adm. exrs.]

XCIV. THE WILL OF ROBERT ROOSE OF RUDSTON.

[Reg. Test. ix. 121.]

July 30, 1520. Robertus Roose* de Rudston. Sep. in eccl. Omn. Sanctorum de Rudstaine in deambulatorio boriali ex opposito fonti. Pro humatione mea ibidem iij s. iiij d. Lego optimum animal meum esse mortuarium. Cuilibet matrici ecclesiæ iiij d. Cuilibet ordini Fratrum iiij d. Ad celebrandum pro anima mea unum trentale Missarum x s. Capellano parochiali xij d. Lego xiij d. ad distribuendum xiij pauperibus. Lego dimid. quarterium ordii ad inveniendum lumen coram ymagine Omn. Sanctorum in eccl. de Rudstane. Ad depingendum ymaginem S. Jacobi ij s. Ad picturam B. M. de Bethl' duos modios ordii. Lego di. quart. ordii in honore Sanctæ Crucis, ut de ipsius pretio comparetur superpellex, habenda ad laudem et honorem Sanctæ Crucis, dummodo adoratur in die Magni Veneris (*sic*). Lego quart. ordii ad emend' festa dulcissimi nominis Jhesu, viz. festum Transfigurationis, et festum dulcissimi nominis Jesu, festumque Visitationis B. M.

* The will of a farmer or labourer at Rudston, near Bridlington, drawn up, probably, by the village clergyman, *more suo*.

Lego unam terram granosam, jacentem super Speteykes, ad pavimentum chori. Lego Elisabeth Sharpe unam terram granosam jacentem super le Slein dailles. Johanni Brown xij d. Johannæ Marshall xij d. Willelmo Roose xij d. Elisabeth Sharp unum quart. ordei et di. lapidei ponderis lanæ. Aliciæ Wilkynson ij s. Johanni Hedon iiij d. Thomas Hedon iiij d. Johanni Martyn unum modium ordii. Johanni Reede modium ordii. Ricardo Roose unum modium ordii. Elisabeth Sharp meam optimam togam. Aliciæ Wilkynson meam russetam togam. Roberto Coke unam bigam cum duobus at'nis ferreis. Residuum—dispositioni Ricardi Coke et Aliciæ Coke, quos ordino meos veros executores ut ipsi ordinent pro salute animæ meæ—et Willelmum Rose, Johannem Brown, Johannem Marshall supervisores.

[Pr. 9 Nov. 1520.]

XCV. THE WILL OF GEOFFREY THRESCROSSE OF HULL.

[Reg. Test. Ebor. ix. 240 *b*.]

Oct. 14, 1520. Jeffray Threscrosse, marchaunte, of Kyngston oppon Hull.* To be beriede in the chirche of Sayncte Marye of Hull. To the makyng of the highe altar xv li. To the upholddyng of the steple of Trinitie chirch x li. To Henry Threscrosse xx li. To Isabell Threscrosse x li. To Maister Doctour Kellett of Yorke Mynster my howpe of golde that I were on my fynger. To the Freres Prechers of Thetfford xl s. To Jenet, my wif, my best note with the cover. To Thomas, my brother son, a dublet of sattan. To the Freres Prechers of Thetfford my white standdyng pece, to remayne in the place perpetually. Also if it please Maister Maior and his brether with the comenaunte to resayve of my executours cc li. in money and plate, and my howse that I bowghte of Maister Eland, after my wiff decesse, to fynde an able preste to syng for my saull and my frendes in the chirch of Sayncte Marye perpetualy, and the said maior and his brether to be boundon to my executours and their assignes, and to the Prior of Chartour house that now is & his successours, and they to delyver the common seale to the said Prior, and thei to be boundon in ccc li. to the said Prior that this service be kepte perpetually—if not—than, if it please them, to resayve an c li. to the chamer, or to the common huche, and my best giltid

* The testator was sheriff of Hull in 1517. His family was long connected with that place, and in the seventeenth century two or three members of it arose to some eminence in the Church.

standyng pece to the honour of the Maioralte to go frome maior to maior yerely, for to have a preist to syng for me & my frendes the space of xx^{ti}. yeres; and the other c li. to be at the disposicion of my executours to be disposid in dedes of pyety for the welthe of my saull; and my wif to have my forsaid howse terme of hir lif to kepe an obite for me yerelye; and, aftir hir decesse, to goo to the proficte of Sayncte Marye chirch for the yerely obite afore rehersed. The said Prior to over see that this service be duelye observed & kepte, and I will that he shall have my best whit standyng pece parcell gilte w^{t} the cover, and oon which the cover is a coke, to hym & his successours. My wif & Henry Threscrosse executours—Maister John Eland and Edwarde Maderson marchauntes of the Staple, & Arthur Berebruer supervisours. In wittenes—frear John Oldman bachelare and prior of the Freres Prechers of Thetfford, Simond Baxster my hospes at the syng of the Christofer, etc.

[Pr. 25 Nov. 1522, adm. to ex^{rs}.]

XCVI. THE WILL OF ROBERT HANSBY OF NEW MALTON.

[Reg. Test. ix. 123 *a*.]

Oct. 19, 1520. Robertus Hansby,* de New Malton, burgensis. Sep. infra eccl. B. M. apud Old Malton. Pro mortuario meo meum opt. equum, sellam, frænum, gladium, et scutum, cum meis leȝ jake et salett. Fabricæ pontis de Malton x ligna quarcina, similia duobus lignis quarcinis quæ Robertus Balan dedit fabricæ prædicti pontis. Fabricæ pontis le Hew xij leȝ swalles. Fabricæ ecclesiarum sive capellarum SS. Michaelis et Leonardi in New Malton, ten. cum pert. durantibus terminis meis, hac conditione quod gardiani semel in anno faciant celebrari exequias meas. Duo ten. in Malton Willelmo & Johanni, filiis meis. Agneti, filiæ meæ, meam opellam in foro dictæ Malton, et xx marcas. Cuilibet puerulo

* A pedigree of this family appears in Flower's Visitation of Yorkshire.

Oct. 12, 1522. Johannes Hanceby de New Malton, valectus coronæ domini regis Angliæ. Sep. infra eccl. B. M. V. apud Old Malton infra leȝ gemmer ibidem. Gardianis S. Mich. in Newmalton et successoribus suis, ad fundationem j cantariæ in cap. S. Michaelis ad altare B. M., tria burgagia in Malton, et xx li. Willelmus Wildon, filius meus, & Johanna uxor ejus, filia mea. Agneti, uxori meæ, extra partem, xx marcas, vel x li. Gilberto H. j equum voc. Crukedikes. Johannæ Lokwod, sorori meæ, iij s. iiij d. Margareta, filia mea. Res. to wife, Richd. my son & Kath. my dau. They ex^{rs}. [Pr. 11th Dec.] (Reg. Test. ix. 241).

With Richard Hansby the pedigree in the Visitation begins.

Aliciæ Flonders, sororis meæ, iij s. iiij d. Cuilibet filiolo & filiolæ meis de Malton vj d. Marg. Brignell, sorori meæ, x s. Res. Elenæ ux. et puerulis meis, quos facio executores.

[Pr. 15 Nov.]

XCVII. THE WILL OF MARGARET DODSWORTH OF SINNINGTHWAITE, WIDOW.

[Reg. Test. Ebor. ix. 136 *b*.]

Nov. 9, 1520. Margaret Dodisworth, widdo, late wif of John Dodisworth. To be beried w^t^in the chauncell of Synnyngthwaite before the blissed Sacrament, if it may conveniently be. I gif unto my corspresand, as the use and custome is. To the college chirch of Beverlay a kirchiff for to make a corprax of. To the hie alter of Synnyngthwaite my best diaper clothe, for to make a alter clothe of, and a kirchiff to make a corprax of, w^t^ a corprax case of gold of damask and purple velvett. To the parish of Watlows iij s. iiijd. To my son Wivell a ellen of yolow velvett w^t^ a white hatte. To my doughtour Dorethe a gowne of cremesyn eged w^t^ blake velvett, & a gowne of wiolett furred w^t^ calaver, a blake velvett bonett w^t^ a frontlett of leves of gold; item, another frontlett of cremesyn velvett w^t^ roses of gold, a girdle w^t^ a pese of blake velvett and a pattelett of cremesyn velvett. To my doughtour, dame Margarett, a pare of corall beddes, a cofir, a caskett, etc. To dame Isabell Stapleton a cofir of every. To dame John Goldesburgh a pasc cloth. To Christopher Dodisworth a kirtill of blake chamlett. To Cecilie, his wif, a gowne of morrey in greyne eged w^t^ blake velvett, w^t^ a riban of orage colour. To my Lady Conyers a pare of corall beades w^t^ gold gaudes. To Marjory Conyers a yolow ryban. To Cecilie Parkour a pattlett of purple velvett & a olde frontlett. To Edmunde Marshall a sufferan of golde. To Maister Chaunceler of Beverlay a crose of golde; whome I orden supervisor. The residue to my sons John & William, whome I orden executours.

[Pr. 27 Feb., adm. to John & Wm. D.]

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* This must be the widow of John Dodsworth of Thornton Watlass, and an ancestress, therefore, of Roger Dodsworth, the antiquary. She seems to have been residing as a boarder in the little nunnery of Sinningthwaite near York, an abode which, it is evident, had not removed the old lady's liking for the rich dresses and ornaments of her earlier life.

XCVIII. THE WILL OF ALEXANDER FOSTER OF YORK.

[Reg. Test. ix. 271 *a*.]

Nov. 15, 1520. Alexander Foster. To be bur. in the cath. church of Yorke nye my Lorde Savage. To my felowe, Hugh Barton, oon federbede with a sparver of white. To Lorde Deyne j li. fox skynys. To the parsones iij galons of clarett wyne, & to the vicars v galons of redde wyne & clarett, if thei feche me at my parishe church. To Mastres Evers x s., to drinke for my saulle with hir frendes and myne. To Mr Vavasour my crosse bowe wt rake. I will that I have a marble stone laide oppon my grave with a scripture of brase, lez price xxxiij s. iiij d.

XCIX. THE WILL OF GEORGE EVERS OF YORK, NOTARY.

[Reg. Test. Dec. & Capit. ii. 124.]

Nov. 19, 1520. George Evers,* of the parishe of Sanct Michaelle's callid the Belfray within the citie of York, notarie. To be buried in the hie where of my said parishe church; and I will that my executoures provide a stone to lie over me wt a scriptur tharopon convenient. I will thar be x lb. of wax maid in v serges to burne abowt my bodie the day of my buriall. To xiij powre men, to pray for me the day of my buriall, every of thame ij d. I will that a candell of wax of a lb. weght be maid and burne afor the ymage of Sancte Sithe in the said parishe church, and to be upholdin by my executoures by the space of twoo yeres next after my deceas. To the parsone of my parich church for teithys forgotten vj s. viij d. To Sanct Peter warkes vj s. viij d. To the warkes of the College church of Sanct John of Beverlay v s. To the Priors & Convents of Bridlyngton & Guysburne, to pray for my soul, each x s. To the Prior & Convent of Wartre, to pray for me & to be distribued emong thame by the discrecion of the Prior, vj s. viij d.

* Many wills of members of the family of Evers or Eure have been already printed in these volumes.

Jan. 9, 1514–15. Wm Evers cap. rector eccl. Omn. SS. in Marisco, York. Sep. in eccl. cath. juxta sep. Mr Wm E. nuper præcentoris. Sister Joan Wilkinson & her children. Sister Alice & her children. Niece Mary E. Brother George E. & Beatrix his wife. To Mr John Sympson j par precularium de Cassaden'. [Pr. 1 July, 1515.] (Reg. Wolsey, 140 *b*.)

Some account of Wm. Eure or Evers, precentor of York, will be found in Test. Ebor. iii. 226.

To the Prior & Convent of Hawtemprice, to pray for my saull, iij s. iiij d. To the Priores of Nunnes of Swyne, to pray for me, iij s. iiij d. To the Priores & Convent of Keling, to pray for me, v s. To every of the foure Orders of Freeres in Yorke iij s. iiij d. To every persone being in the lepre howsses, in the Masyndews, and in the Common Prisons at York j d. To Beatrix, my wyff, to hir use during hir lyve, a standing peice sylver and gyltid, &, after hir deceas, to remayn to Marie, my doghter—also my best peice, to remayn to my doghter Cicilie. To Marie, my doghter, xij silver spounes of the best. To Cicilie, my doghter, a standing peice w^{t} a cover silver and gylt, &, after the deceas of my wyff, a salt w^{t} a cover, sylver and gilt. To Sir John Coltman a furrid gowne, & to Agnes Coltman a brod silk gyrdill, harnessed w^{t} sylver. An honest & able prest to syng for my saull, the saulles of my fader and mother, the soulles of my kynsfolkes, and all Cristen soulls, by the space of fyve yeres next after my departour, in my parich church, & he to be present in his surples Sondais & other Festivall dais at Messe, Matyns, and Evyn songes—to have seven markes yerely. Three tenementes and twoo closes lying in Bowthowme to be maid assure in writyng—to have a yerely obit in my parishe church doon for me & my wyff for ever. To my wyff a tenement in Petergait in which I dwell. The tuicion of Marie & Cicilie, my doghters, to the right worshipfull Mr Brian Hygdon, doctor of law ande Dean of York, & Mr Edward Kellet.

[Pr. 3 Dec. 1520.]

C. THE WILL OF SIR THOMAS FAIRFAX OF WALTON, KNIGHT.

[Reg. Test. ix. 140.]

In the name of God Amen. I, Sir Thomas Fairefax * of Walton, knyght, hoole of mynd, & in good memory, the xxvj day of Novembre, in the yere of our Lord God M^{l} D^{c} xx^{ti}, and in the xijth yere of the reign of our soverayn lord Kyng Herry the viijth, ordeneth and maketh this my last will in maner and forme folowyng. First I bequeath my saull to Almyghty God, to our Lady Seynt Mary, and to all the Sayntes of the holy company of hevyn, and my body to be beryed where it shall fortune me to dy, by the advice and discrecion of myn executours. And I will my best good go for my mortuary accordyng

* The eldest son of Sir Thomas Fairfax. He marr. Anne dau. of Sir Wm. Gascoigne of Gawthorpe.

to the custome of the kyrke. Also I will that viij li. wax be burned aboute my body the daye of my beriall. Also I will that xij white gownys be gyffyn to xij poore men that beres the torches at my beriall. Also I bequeath xx s. to the iiij Orders of Freres, equally to be devydyd. Also I bequeath to my parish kirke of Walton, to the hy alter ther, for my forgottyn tithes, vj s. viij d. Also I bequeath to Thomas Bethum and his suster v markes, betwixt them, to be devyded. Also I will that Sir William Seton, my chaplayn, have vij markes in the yere duryng his lyf, which I have (given) hym on astate therof afore, to pray for the soull of me and myn auncetours at Walton. Also where I have afore this tyme infeoffyd my brother Robert,* and oyer, as more playnly apperith by the said dede of feoffament, to the use and performans of my last will, by this my last will, I, the said Sir Thomas, will that my said feoffes stand and be seased of and in my maner of Scalton with the appertenaunce w'in the countie of York, to th'use and behulf of my yonger sonys for terme of ther lyffes, equally emonges tham to be divided, except xxvj s. viij d. goyng oute of the said mannour, grauntyd to Petir Saxton, for terme of his lif, accordyng to his patent yerof maid. Also I bequeath to my fowre doughtours, that is to say Anne, Elisabeth, Isabell, and Dorothe, cc markes to yer maryages, to be paid at the discrecion of myn executours. Also I will that my sisters beyng a lyve have that that was to them bequeathyd according to my fader's will, or els to have a sufi(ci)ent lyvyng of my landes and goodes duryng yer liffes at the discrecion of myn executours. Also I will that my executours at the day of my deth see me worshipfully brought furth of my goodes accordyng to my degre and havour, and to se my dettes paid accordyng to yer power. Also I will that my houshold servauntes have ther wages well and trulye paid, and mete and drynke a quarter after my deth, to provyd tham, if thay be disposyd to take it. The residew of all my goodes undisposyd, my dettes paid, and my funerall expenses maid, I will that it be disposyd at the discrecion of myn executours, and I orden and make my executours Dame Anne Fairfax, my wif, Nicolas

* July 12, 1526. Roberte Farefax, of Acaster Malbis, gentleman. Ber. church of Acastre in the hie where afore the stall where I use to sitte. Wif Agnes my fermehold junctely with Briane, my son. Thomas, my son, my apparell, bukes, bowes & shaftes, etc. (A minor). Dau. Dorothy. ij half poundes of wax to be found burnyng in my parishe churche, the on afore the Trinitie, the other the Coronacion of our Ladie, for iij yeres. To Jane, my dou., none of Synnyngthwaite, on macer with a bannd of silver and gilte, and a whie, to make a cowe opon, to the use of ther house, & they to pray for my sall. Ex^rs Agnes my wif, Thomas Farefax my sone, Richarde Yorke, my son-in-law, etc. Maister Nicholes Farefax of Gillyng Esq a supervisor. [Pr. 23 Sept. 1528, adm. to widow & Ric. Yorke.] (Reg. Test. ix. 412.)

Fairfax, my son and here apparent, Robert Fairfax, my brother, John Beilby gentilman, and Sir William Seton prest, to ordeyn and dispose for the well of my soull as they shall thynke best. Also I will that where I have grantyd any fee to my servauntes afore tyme, I wyll thay have ther said fees accordyng to ther patentes yerof. Witnes herof Sir Thomas Dikson preist, George Frear, Richard Talbot, William Lelom, William Jacson, Thomas Adamson, and Roger Verty, wt oyer.

[Pr. 11 Apr. 1521, adm. to Anne Fairfax & John Beilby.]

CI. THE WILL OF WILLIAM NORMANVILLE OF KILNWICK, ESQ.

[Reg. Test. ix. 133 b.]

Dec. 14, 1520. William Normavile,* of the parishe of Kildewyk beside Watton, esquier. To be beried in the closett of our Lady Seynt Mary, in the north side of the parishe chirch of Kildewyk. To the Prior of Watton my best beist for my mortuary. I will that my executours shal discharge my brother, Sir John Normaville,† of all dettes & legaces. I wil that an able prest syng for the soulles of my fader and moder, my broder, Sir John, & me, & all Cristyn saulles, acordyng to the intente of a deyde wererin I haith infeofyd Christofer Boswell, Richard Thomson, and John Scorbrught in certayn landes. I wil that my executours shall cause a convenient tumbe of marble to be maide over my body, with such a epitaphie as shal be devised by me or my executours. To the convent or monastery of religiose men and women of Watton xx s. To Dame Beatrix Staneburn, suppriores of Nun Appilton, to pray for my soull, vj s. viij d. I will that William Snanton and my sister Elisabeth his wife, & my sister Anne Darby be agreyd wt by the discrecion of my executours. To John & Thomas Nor-

* There is very little known of the ancient family of Normanville of Kilnwick, at least of its early history.

† May 19, 1520. John Normanvile of Kylnewyk, knyght. To be beried in the qwhere wtin the chirch of Kilnewik. I wil that my executours shal cause a convenient tumbe of marble to be maid over my body in the chirch, and my pictour to be gravyn oppon, wt such poses & scripture theroppon as shalbe thought good & convenient. A prest to syng within the said chirch for me, etc., for vij yeres, & he to have to his soude or salary, yerely, vij markys. To my susters, dompe Elinour, Anne Darbe, & Elisabeth Snaynton (each) v markes. To John Normanvile & Thomas Normanvile, my bast-bygottyn sonnes, (each) v markes. To my cosyn, Sir Nicolas Fairfax, a bay geldyng which I had of John Boynton. Exrs my wif, my broder William Normanvile, my cosyn Thomas Fairfax, Sir Richard Ellys clerk, John Wright, & Richárd Clederowe. [Pr. 30 July, 1521, adm. exrs.] (Reg. Test. ix. 114.)

mavile, basterd sonnys unto Sir John, my brother, iiij li.—The residue I wil be at the disposicion of Sir Antony Ugtreght knyght, Sir Nicolas Farefax knyght of Seynt John's of Jerusalem, Thomas Farefax lerned man, Maister Robert Waid vicar of Hoton Crauncewyke, John Beilby gentilman, & Sir Robert Cordwyner chaplayne, whome I make my executours. And, for ther labours, I wil Sir Antony Ugreght have a pece of harnes called a shapeaw sett w^t^ sylver pynnys, & xl s.; Sir Nicolas Farefax xl s., over al reknynges betwix hym & me; Thomas Farefax my furryd gowne w^t^ fownes; Mr Robert Wade my gowne furrid w^t^ fox etc.

[Pr. 20 Feb., adm. to the ex^rs^ except Sir Nicholas Fairfax & Thos F., to whom power is reserved.]

CII. THE WILL OF RICHARD WILCOKE OF BOLTON.

[Reg. Test. Ebor. ix. 154 *a*.]

1520. Richard Wilcoke. My body to be tumulatt in the chirch or monastery (of) our Blissed Lady and Lord of Bolton. I giffes my best beast to God to be my mortuary. To the Prior, for to do service at my beriall, and to assole me, xiij s. iiij d. To the Covent, for a *Mass* with *Placebo* & *Dirige*, xiij s. iiij d. To the sacriston, for my beryeng in the chirch, vj s. viij d. To be disposyd at the day of my beriall, iiij markes. To the house of Seynt Robert *juxta* Knaresburgh ij s. To every house of Freres in York xx d. To Sir Alexander Bland x li. that Robert Grynewod owe me, for (to) syng for my saull ij yeres. I gif v markes of brokyn sylver to the alter of Seynt John Baptest of the said monastery, to make a chalece of, for to pray for my saull. I gif a macer of sylver to the buttre of the said monastery. Mr Antony Clifford supervisor.

[Pr. 16 May, 1521.]

CIII. THE WILL OF RALPH BABINGTON, RECTOR OF HICKLING, NOTTS.

[Reg. Wolsey, 154 *b*.]

Feb. 1, 1520–1. Rauf Babyngton,* parson and curate of the church of Hiclyng and Althorp, beyng wele of body, and stedfast in the faith of Criste, and servaunte of God. To be

* A younger son of Thomas Babington of Dethick.

bur. in the chauncell, streght before the high alter, so that my feete rest undir the preste as he standes at Masse in oone of my said churches, so that I dy w^t^ynne xx^ti^ myles of the same. I bequeth a corspresent according to the costome of the countrey. I bequeth to either of my churches above rehersed v markes sterlyng money, to be bestowed upon ij vestymentes, the one to have the pictour of our Lady on the crosse, and the odir w^t^ the pictour of Saynte Michaell, havyng my armes and name sett ther upon. To either of my modir churches, that is to say, our Lady of Suthwell and our Lady of Lincoln, xx d. To the churches of Duffelly and Ashover, either of theyme xx d. My cosyne, Thomas Babyngton, son of Arnald B., a cowe. Wm. s. of Wm. B. To every of my bredir & of my sustours a riall in gold for a remembraunce. The daie of my buriall I will there be dalt for my saule penny dole, and to every preste being present to have viij d. to say *Masse* and *Dirige* for my saule. To my chapeleyne, Sir Thomas Hand, or who it shall fortune to be for me y^t^ thyme, to have xiij s. iiij d. for to say the trentall of *Masses* w^t^ *Placebo* and *Dirige* of Saynte Gregorie, and v *Masses* of the Wondes of our Lorde Jhesu; also xx s. to pray for me, and my tawney gowne of fox fur. To Sir John Kem my blak gowne furred. I bequeth xv s. for one trentall to be song for my saule and all Cristyne saules at *Scala Cœli* in England. The residue to the ordour on myne executours, my broder Sir John Babyngton knyght of the Rodes, and my brodir, Roland Babington. My broder Sir George Chaworth supervisor.

[Pr. 4 Mar. 1521-2.]

CIV. THE WILL OF SIR RALPH RYTHER OF RYTHER, KNT.

[Reg. Test. ix. 102.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. I Rauf Rither* in the countie of Yorke, knyght, of hole, good, and perfitt mynd, the xxvj day of Marce, the yere of our Lord God M^l^ D. xx^ti^, ordens and makys my last will and testament in maner and forme folowing. First I bequeath my soul to Almyghty God, our Lady Seynt Mary, and to al the company of hevyn; my body to be beried in the parish chirch of Rither. And I will that my funeral expenses be maid be the discrecion of my executours, here after

* Cf. Test. Ebor. iii. 217-18. It is erroneously stated there that Sir Ralph was the last of his family. He had two sons, both of whom died without issue. The history of the family and the descent of the estates is full of a romantic and mournful interest.

to be maid, in honeste maner. And I bequeath for my mortuary my best qwyke beist accordyng to accostome of the contre. Item I bequeath to the hie alter of Rither, in recompens of my prevy tithes not duly paid, xx s. Item I wil that x markes in money be delte to poore people the day of my interment in penny dowle, and more, if nede shall be, by the discrecion of my executours. Item I bequeath to the iiij Orders of Freres in Yorke xxvj s. viij d. equally to be devided, to cause iiij trentales to be said for me. Item I will that a convenient tumbe be maid over me where I shalbe beried, at the ordynyng of myn executours. Item I will that a prest do syng for me after my decesse iij yeres, and he to have yere(ly) vij markes for his salary. Item I will and bequest to my doughtour Elisabeth a hundrethe pownde, to be resavyd and levyd her after my decesse of thes landes and tenementis be me put in feoffament for the performacion of my will, if she be not mareyd in my lif tyme, ne towardes hir marieg, and in recompense of hir porcion of hir childe's part of my goodes. And I will that my son and here, Thomas Rither, have all the herelandes, that ar knowen as herelandes, w^th^in this maner of Rither, w^t^ ij draughtes of oxen, that is to sey, xvj oxen, and iiij marys w^t^ ther drawyng gere for tillage, in ful recompense of any parte that he can or shall aske of my goodes after my decesse. Item I will and bewitt to my son, Herry Rither, xx li. in money, to be lowyd in convenient tym of my landys and tenementis in feoffament, to be kept for hym by my executours to he be of convenient age, and than he to have it in ful recompense of his porcion and childe's part. Item I bequeath to my doughtour, Elyn Aske, vj kye and a bull, to be delivered by my executours. And I will that my dettes be holy paid and contented to my creditours accordyng to the true dett that I do owe unto them. And also I wil that my executours have the order and kepyng of my son Herry to such tyme he cumme to the age of xviij^th^ yeres, and they to calle and receyve the profitt of such landes as I have giffyn to the said Herry, to and for the fyndyng of hym to he come at the age of xviij^th^ yeres. Item I wil that the Nunnys of Appleton have x s., to be distributed emong them, to pray for my saull. Item I bequeath to my servauntes, such os be watyng servauntes, every on of them a quarter wage, over and beside ther wages dew. Also I will that my beademen be foundon in such maner and order as they have been in tymys past, and they to pray for my saull, and al my adversaries saulles, and ther benefactours. And of this my will and testament I make and orden my executors Sir John Normavile knyght, Thomas Rither my son and here, Thomas Fairefax of Garforth Esquier,

Thomas Beverlay, and Charlles Hedon, in whom is all my trust that they will do for me as I wolde do for theym; to whome of every of them for ther labour in that behalf I bequeath xl s. and ther resonable costes when they do any thing concernyng the besynes abowthe this my will and testament; and to the performans of the same I will that my executours have al my goodes moveable not bequeath, and also the ij hondreth pound of my landys and tenementes put in the feoffament. And my will fulfillyd, and my dettes paid, I wil that my said executours have all the residewe of my goodes, and they to distribute it at theire discrecion for the welthe of my saule. And of this my will and testament I make the right honorable and singler good lord, my Lord of Northumbreland,* supervisour, besekyng his lordship to gif his good assistaunce to the performyng of the same; to whos good lordship I bequeath a stage horse, to be takyn at his pleasure of my breide, such as I have. In witnes whereof hereunto I have sett my seall, the day and yere above-said. Thes witnesses Sir John Wilkynson parson of Rither, Sir John Wates, George Thwaites, William Yrishe, and Edmond Hedon, with other.

[Pr. 26 Apr. 1520, adm. to ex^rs.]

CV. THE WILL OF THOS. STEVYNSON OF THIRSK, MERCHANT.

[Reg. Test. ix. 174.]

Apr. 18, 1521. Thomas Stevynson, of Thriske, merchand. To be bur. in churchyard. To the steple beldyng xx s. To byeng of a paire of organnys, to be [at] our Lady *Messe* w^t all, vj s. viij d., if the organys be bowght & go forward, or else the same vj s. viij d. to remayne to the steple. To the house of Newburgh, for clene absolucion, x s. To our Lady in the where iij s. iiij d. To our Lady in the porche, iij s. iiij d. and a sleyveles jacke. To St John alter a hangyng to be before hitt. I will my wif fynd a sherage † before Seynt Kateryn hir lif, and, after hir departyng, my son, William, to fynd it.

* The Rythers were retainers of the Percies. The testator leaves to his feudal lord a stallion which he had bred himself.

In the Plumpton Correspondence (p. 106) there is a letter from the testator to his cousin, Sir Robert Plumpton, 'praying you to give me ij cople of conyes to stocking of a litle ground that I make at Ryther.' To our ears this is a very modest request.

† *i.e.*, a serge or taper.

CVI. THE WILL OF GEORGE HARDCASTLE OF PATELEY BRIDGE.

[Reg. Test. ix. 168.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. Die Sabbati proximo ante festum Sancti Georgii Martiris (April 23) anno Domini m[1] quingentesimo, vicesimo primo, I, George Hardcastle,* hoole of remembrance, maketh my wil in maner folowyng. First I wit my soull to God, our Lady, and to al the Saynt in hevyn, my body to be beryed in the chappell garth at Paithley brig, and my best beast to my mortuary. And I wilbe browght furth oppon the hoole goodes, and my dettes to be payd oppon t'hoole goodes; and the reversion of al my goodes to be delt betwix my wif and my childer. And I desire and prays my Lorde of Fountance to be assoled, and he to be agreyd with therfore by my executrix, takyn my wif to doo for me as she semys the best. And I take it oppon of my saul I am not giltye of slayng the buke within my Lorde's warrant of Darby, wherfor I am dangered at Kirkeby. Thes witnes Christofer Hardcastle, and Ric' Brameley, and other. And it is my will that my eldest son shalbe taker of my ferme hold after my wif decesse, etc.

[Pr. 16 May, 1521.]

CVII. THE WILL OF ROBERT HERTLEY OF ROTHERHAM.

[Reg. Test. Ebor. ix. 178 *b*.]

Apr. 26, 1521. Robert Hertley. To be beried in the chirch of Alhalows of Rotherham, fast by my wif. To the reparelyng of our Lady vestiment, iij s. iiij d. I gif my best candlestike, that I haud of Rogert Hardy, to hyng before the Roide in the Roide where; and Laurence Ashton to have viij d. to hyng it in a poles. I wil that ther be maid for every flowre of the candlestike a tapur of wod, that theire may be ix sergeis of wax sett oppon, and iij pounde of wax to be in a serge; and my serge that standith before Seynt Margaret shalbe taken downe and brokyn, and iij pounde to be takyn to make ix little serges to the said candlestike. Item of that serge a pounde to make betynges to Seynt Margarete lighte, and a serge of a pownde to Seinte Sebastian; also an other serge of a pownde

* The Hardcastles were an old Nidderdale family, tenants under Fountains Abbey. The testator had been charged with killing a buck. Did he die of fright?

to Seinte Scithe. To our Lady alter a vestiment that I bought of Roger Padley, with a superaltare and a sacring bell. To the pavyng in the layne goyng to Gresbruke iij s. iiij d., to be warid frome John Haryngton stable northward. To ychon of my broder sonys a sylver spoyne with cuttid starttis. I have ij mares w^t^ foole, and, when they folyn, I gif the bettur to Maister Mownforthe. To my wif, Alicie, my hoole bargan of Kymberworth mylne, & the Cotelar Whelle; and my walke mylne that I last maide. To the commyn's greffys of Rotherham iij s. iiij d. a yere duryng my termes. My mylnes to come to Hugh Yngram, my wif son.

[Pr. 20 May.]

CVIII. THE WILL OF ROBERT GOODYERE OF STILLINGFLEET.

[Reg. Test. ix. 176 *b*.]

April 26, 1521. Robert Goodyere of Stillyngflette. To be bur. in the ch. yard. I give xx d. to have a *Dirige* song for my saull, & my nebowros, which doith honour God the day of my beriall w^t^ oblacion, to comme home to my house, and take parte w^t^ a potte w^t^ ale, to pray for my saull and al Christen saulles. I gif a yong whye to Styllingflete kirk, and to the welle of the same towne.

CIX. THE WILL OF AMBROSE PUDSEY OF BOLTON JUXTA BOLLAND.

[Reg. Test. Ebor. ix. 214 *b*.]

May 5, 1521. Ambrose Pudsey of Bolton ny Bolland, gentleman,* of a hoole mynd and good remembrance, makes this my testament and last will in maner and forme folowyng. First I bequeath my saull to God Almyghtye, to our Lady Sainte Marie, and to all t'holye company in hevyn. My body to be beriede wher it shall please God to visit me and so departe oute of this worlde of misery wher somever it be. Also I bequeath my best beast in the name of my mortuary after lawe and costome of t'holye churche. Also I bequeath my lord, John th'abbot of Whalley, and my broder, Thomas Pudsey esquier, ij of my best horses, next unto my mortuary; and also my said broder, Thomas, to have the golde worme that was my

* A younger son of Henry Pudsey of Bolton, Esq., who made his will in 1517 (see p. 85). He was wealthy, and had probably been a retainer in some nobleman's house.

father's beste rynge, and my forsaide lorde to have on of my beste rynges next the which is my grete hope with A and P wt it, to pray for my saull; whome I do order to be my supervisours of this my laste wil and testament. Also I bequeath my Lady Florence Clifford * x li., the which I lent hir, and a golde ryng. Also I bequeath to my sister, Margarete Pudsey, the forsaid Thomas Pudsay wif, a ryng, and a crane colorede damaske gowne that was my fader's, and a booke that was my moder's. Also I bequeath to ther doughtours xx li. to mary them with. Also I bequeath to my sister Beckewith xx li., to mary hir childer with. Also I bequeath to my sister Wannysforde xx markes, to mary hir childer with. Also I bequeath to my sistour Wynyngton c markes, to mary hir childer with and also to geite my broder e-law, hir husband, landes wt. Also I bequeath to my broder Henry c li., and my sister in law his wif, to mary ther childer with, and if he will make farther clame to have his childe parte, that then he to have non penny ne pennyworth, for my fader toke it oppon his charge he hade his childe parte and more then ather my fader or I. Also I bequeath to th'abbay of Whalley x li., for v trentalles and v obites, to syng for my fader saull, my moder's, and myne. Also I bequeath to Sante Mary abbay of Yorke x li., for v trentales & v obitys, to pray for my saull and to assole me. Also I bequeath to th'abbay of Fontence my fader bequestes, the which was to th'abbot iij s iiij d., to every of his monkes at was preist iiij d., & xij d. for rengying, and to have of me x li. for v trentalles, to syng for my fader saul, my moder, and myn, and to assole hus al for charite. [The same] to th'abbay of Salley. Also I bequeath to th'abbay of Bolton in Chanons my fader bequestes, as is afor rehercede, & to have of me l s. for v trentales etc. (*as before*). Also I bequeath to the iiij Orders of Freres vj s. viij d., & Freres of Lancastre & Hartillpole to be ij of them. Also I bequeath to Monte Grace v li., for v trenteles & v obites, to sing for my fader saull, my moder, and myne. Also I bequeath to a preist to syng at Bolton chirch ny Bolland for my fader saul, my moder, and myn, the space of v yeres complete, and the said preist to have paid every of the forsaid yeres iiij li. by 'thandes of my executours, and that hoole sum is xx li.; and if it forton me not to be beriede at Bolton, that then my executours do fynde a prest to syng for me the Messe of Requiem, what so ever it cost, and where I do lye. Also I bequeath a chales to Bolton chauntry, iij vestimentes, and a sute of vestimentes with a cope agreable

* A sister of the testator, who was thrice married, selecting at each venture a noble husband. There were some strange stories current about her.

unto them, to the same chirch, to pray for my fader sall, my moder, & myn. Also I bequeath to every one of my breder & breder e-law childer a cowe. Also I bequeath to every on of my God childer a shepe. Also I bequeath to my cosyn, William Kirkby, iiij oxen that I lent hym. Also I bequeath to my cosyn, William Travers, ij oxon. Also I bequeath to my cosyn, Henry Kirkby, vj l. xiij s. iiij d. that I lent hym. Also I bequeath to Robert Pleasyngton ij whies that I lent hym. Also I bequeath to my cosyn, Thomas Shireburne, and to my cosyn his wife xl s. Also I bequeath to Laurence Clerke, maister sellerar of th'abbay of Whalley, xl s., to assiste & to gif conseall to my executours, and to pray for me. Also I bequeath to Sir Giles Scott, parish preist of Bolton ny Bolland, xl s., to be my executour. Also I bequeath to Sir John Walbanke, chauntre preste of the same, xl s. to be my executour. Also I bequeath to Richarde Shireborne, gentleman, my kynsman & servand, xl s., to be my executour. Also I bequeath to Wiresdale chapelle a vestiment, and al thynges belongyng unto hit. Also I bequeath al my fader's rayment and myn, at is not silke, to be distributed emonges my executours and servantes—that is to wit, Sir John Walbanke, Sir Giles Scote, Richarde Sherborne, Christofer Newcome, and Ambrose Sotheron, my servauntes, every on of them to have that that is most accordyng and mete for them. Also I bequeath al my sylke raymant to be vestimentes, or any other ornamentes, to Bolton chirch, & to the chauntre of the same, for to pray for my fader saul, my moder, and myn. Also I bequeath to William Claton a whie and to his wif a shepe. The residue of all my goodes, moveable and unmoveable, my dettes and legaces paide, and funerall expenses downe, I gif and bequeath Sir Giles Scote parishe prest of Bolton aforsaid, Sir John Walbanke chauntre preist aforesaid, and Richarde Shirebourne gentleman aforesaid, whome I orden and makes my executours, thei t'order & dispose for t'helth of my father saull, my moder, and myne; and to performe, & to mayntene the forsaid chauntre by the advise of my lord, John th'abbot of Whalley, & my broder, Thomas Pudsay, esquier, whome I ordene & make supervisours of this my last will and testament. In witness wherof this my last will and testament, I dide write it with my owne hande, at Bolton Haull, in a chamer that goode Kyng Henry the Sexte ley in, and therfor it is called his chamer to this presente daye;* and haith sealed it wt my owne seale, the day and the yere above written.

* A notice of remarkable interest. A boot, glove, and spoon, said to have belonged to this unfortunate monarch, are still treasured at Bolton Hall, but it required this evidence to convert assertion into something like certainty. I

Memorandum that, the vij day of the moneth of January, the yere aforsaid, this present will and testament and last will was red afore the said Maister Ambrose Pudsay at Maister Hilton howse in Grenewich, in the presens of Walter Bathome, Henry Kirkby gentleman, Christofer Newcome, and Ambrose Sotheron, and many other, and the forsaid Maister Ambrose Pudsay was content with every article within the same.

[Pr. at Lambeth 20 Feb. 1521–2, & at Yorke 22nd March seq.]

CX. THE WILL OF THOMAS GREENHOOD, VICAR OF LANGTOFT.

[Reg. Test. Dec. et Cap. Ebor. ii. 126.]

In the name of God, Amen. The last day of the moneth of Junii, in the yere of our Lord Gode m° cccccxxj, I Thomas Grenhude, the vicar of Langtoft,* of a hooll mynd, and of a gud remembrance, makes my will in this maner folowing. Furst I geve my saull to God and to our Ladie, and to all the holy company that is in heven, my body to be buried in the where of Sanct Peter, my best gowne to my crospresand. Also I gyff to every prest, the day of my buriall, viij d.; every parich clarke, iij d. Item to every unlernyd man j d. Also I gyff to the clarke of Langtoft, to help to by a table for the alter, xx^tl lammes. Also I gyff to mending of the kirke royff xx^tl lammes. Also I will that a prest have vij marces, to syng for my saull & for the saull of Sir Richard Greynhude. Also I gyffe to John Birdsall, my servaunt, two oxgange of corne the whuch I had of William Dobill; and I will that the said John pay the farme, vj s. viij d. Also I gyffe to Elezabeth, my

remember well how joyfully the late Mr. H. A. Littledale, of Bolton Hall, the poetical chronicler of his family, welcomed this information, which it was in my power to give him.

About thirty years ago, during my residence in Newcastle-on-Tyne, I met with a small mediæval Service-book which contained the births and deaths of various members of the family of Pudsay. It also contained what was of still greater interest, a hymn and some prayers addressed to Henry VI., whom the devoted Lancastrians turned into a saint. These notices formed the subject of a paper in one of the earlier volumes of the Archæologia Æliana, *n.s.*

* A little village on the Wolds, which was the corpus of a prebend in York Minster.

1528. Thomas Mylner of Cottome. To be bur. in the church yerd of Sanct Petur of Langtoft. To the church half a quarter of barly. To the chappell of Sanct Petur of Cottome half a quarter of barly when God sends it of the ground. To the church of Sainct Andrew of Collome a met of barly. To the chappell of our Ladie of Sledmar, the church of Sainct Mychaell of Garton, the Trinitie gild of Great Driffeld, oure Ladie gild of the same towne, & the church of All Hallowes of Killome, each a met of barly. To Sainct Katerine gild of Langtoft a met of barly. My sone, Sir John. [Reg. Test. Dec. et Capit. ii.]

broder dowghter, to hir mariage, lx sheipe, and the oon half of my hushold stowf. Also I gyffe to Elezabeth Lenton a cow, and all hir howshold stuff as it come to me; and if it be anything parid, it shal be menddit of my cost. Also I wit to the said Elez. iij yerddes of rowsit. Also I witt to Sanct Peter of York iij s. iiij d. Also I witt to every howse of the Freers of Scarburgh iij s. iiij d. Also to Annes Reid twoo gymmer lammes and a blake why. Also to Sir Robert Tepleyng a gowne, fowrid w^t^ whit lame and blak. Also to the childer of Robert Petstan, every on of thame a lame. Also I witt to Robert Greynhude the elder a bras pot. Also I wit to Sir Robert Tipeleying the war cownnter. Also to my mother a blak furrid gowne, and all my shirttes. Also I witt to Sir William Marshall my cloth jakit and a dublet. And to Sir Robert Tiplyng a jakit and a dublet. Also I gyff to Sir William Whitlame my whit horse, the saddil, and the bridill. Also I gyff to Sir Geffray Greynhude my tawny furrid gowne and the velvit tippit. Also I wit to Sir Thomas Pereson and to Robert Petstane, ather of thame, xx s. And I will that thay be my executours. Also I gyffe to the said Sir Thomas Pereson my best sayrsnett tippit and my chamelit jakit. Also I wit to Sir William Constable of Cathorp, knyght, xl s., and he to be my supervysour, if he pleas. The residew of my guddes, that is not geven, I gyff it to Alis Greynhude, my mother. Theis witnes Sir Robert Tippling, prest, John Byell, John Barton, Christofer Cooke, John Taylyour.

[Pr. 30 July, 1521.]

CXI. THE WILL OF THOMAS ESHETON OF BESSINGBY, GEN.

[Test. Ebor. ix. 169.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. The iij day of July, the yere of our Lord God m^l^dxx^tij^, I Thomas Esheton, gentilman, in good mynd and remembrance, maketh this my testament and will in this forme folowyng. First, I bequeath my saul to God Almyghty, and to our Lady Saynt Mary, and al the company in hevyn; and my body to be beried in the paryshe kirke of Mary Magdalane in Bessynby, before th'emage of our Lady. Also I bequeath at day of my beriall xv s., to be delte; inprimis, to the preist that synges Messe xij d.; and to ij diocons, aither of them viij d.; and ij chauntters that begynneth chaunttangs and Psalmes, aither of them viij d.: item, to the parishe clerke iiij d.; every preist w^t^ all *infra sacros* iiij d.; the residue of

folkes a peny a pece; item the residue of the said money to be delte emonges pure folkes, aftir the discrecion of them that mynystres for me. Item I bequeath and gif to my doughtour Jane, for makyng of her on nowic, vij li. Item I owe to my Lord Prior of Bridlington of Pasche evyn next ensuyng xx s. Item I bequeath and gif for th'erthe brekyng iij s. iiij d., and he that makes my grave xij d. Item I bequeath to the gilde of Mary Magland iij s. iiij d. Item I will that every house of gresse men w'in the towne of Besynby have ij d. a pece. Item I bequeath my best beast for my mortuary. Item I bequeath to a preist to syng on quarter of a yere xx s. The residue of al my goodes I wit and bequeath, my dettes and my funeral expenses deducte, to Helene my wif, whom I ordene and make my executrix to dispose for me and t'helth of my saul as she thinkes best. Item I witto my brother, Marmaduce, supervisour of this my testament, vj s. viij d. Witnes of this my wil Sir William Archey, John Cowton, Whilam Cowton, Thomas Senior, John Chapman, and John Rompton.

[Pr. 31 Aug. 1521.)

CXII. THE WILL OF JOHN TONG, BAILIFF OF BURNHOLME.

[Reg. Test. ix. 195.]

In the name of God, Amen. The x day of July in the yere of our Lord God M'DXXI, I, John Tonge, balie of Burneholme, of good and hooll mynd, maketh and ordeneth this my present testament and last will in this maner. First I wit, gif, and commende my saul unto Almyghty God, and to our Blisside Lady Saynt Marye, and to al the Sayntes in hevyn, and my body to be beried in the where of Burneholme before our Lady. Also I wit and gif my best hors or my best (*blank*) in the name of my mortuary. Also I gif and witto the chirch of Burneholme, to the honor of divine service, on vestiment, price xxvj s. viij d. Also I gif for tithes forgettyn iij s. iiij d. Also I gif to the upholdyng of where, for my beriall, vj s. viij d. Also I gif to a honest preist to syng at Hynderskelfe on yere for the saulles of my Lord Graistoke and my Lady, and for my saull and my wiffes, iiij li. xiij s. iiij d. Also I gif for a trentall of Messes to be said at the church of Burneholme x s. Also I gif to my Lord Priore of Wartre, vj s. viij d. Also I gif to be disposid equally emong the brether of the said place xl s. Also I gif to my Lady Prioresse of Burneholme xx s. and vj yowys. Also I gif to be divided emong the sisters of the same place,

that is to say to Dame Agnes Robynson, Dame Margaret Craike, Dame Cecilie Thomlynson, Dame Margarete Somerby, and Dame Elene Harper,* vj s. viij d. and x yowys. Also I gif to the cathedral chirch of Yorke xij d. Also I gif to the iij college chirches, that is to say, to Ripon, Beverlac, and Southwell, iij s. Also I gif to Sir Thomas Londesdaile iij s. iiij d. Also I gif to my broder, Hugh Tong, iij li. vj s. viij d. Also I gif to my broder, Brian Tong, iij li. vj s. viij d. Also I gif to my sister, Margaret Hall, iij li. vj s. viij d. Also I gif to William Tong xl s. Also I gif to the chirch of Burnby ij s. Also I gif to the chirch of Londesburgh ij s.; and to the chirch of Kilwyke ij s. Also I gif to the placys of Montegrace vj s. viij d. Also I gif to Alicie Huby vj s. viij d. Also I gif to Margaret Jacson iij s. iiij d. Also I gif to Richard Robynson vj s. viij d. Also I gif to John Drew vj s. viij d. Also I gif to Sir John Holme iij s. iiij d. Also I gif to every on of my servauntes xij d. Also I gif to Robert Mylner ij s. Also I gif to Edwarde Stangter iij s. iiij d., wt on hoole harnes wt a sallet and a bill. The residue of my goodes, not above giffyn, I gif unto Sir Richard Willoughby, John Kilburne, and thei to dispose, as shalbe thowght most necessary for the well of my saull and thaires bothe. Also I gif to Sir John Olyver, vicar of Hayton, xiij s. iiij d. In witnes of makyng this present testament, Sir Thomas Londesdaile, Sir John Holme, Edwarde Stangter, and William Baxster. Item I bequeath to Sir Robert Moor xiij s. iiij d. Also to Sir William Jeffrason xiij s. iiij d. Item to my brother, John Moor, x s. Item to Richard Hall xl s.

[Pr. 6 Aug. 1521.]

CXIII. THE WILL OF ROBERT ELAND, ESQ., OF WAKEFIELD.

[Reg. Test. Ebor. ix. 200 *b*.]

July 24, 1521. Robert Eland,† esquier. To be beried in the chirch of Wakefeld afore Alhallows. To my curate my best whike beast for my mortuary. I will that xiij men have xiij blake gownes for beryng and halddyng xiij torches abowte my body the day of my beryall, & every one of them iiij d. of sylver besydes. I will that Nicolas Eland have all my harnes except that at is due to God and the chirch, and a paire of brekenners with sallet and gorgett & shirttes of male langyng to the same, the which I will Richarde Jenkynson have. To

* We see, therefore, that there were at Nunburnholme a Prioress and five nuns—a very small establishment.

† See Flower's Visitation, p. 606.

the chirch my blake sattan gowne to make ij tonakles of. To John Savile my canet gowne lynyd wt blake sarsenett & my best dublett. To Nicolas Eland my fox furryd gowne with my secunde dublett. Executours my wif & John Sayvile.

[Pr. 17 Jan.]

CXIV. THE WILL OF ROBERT ARKESAY, PAR. HUTTON CRANSWICK.

[Reg. Test. ix. 187 *b*.]

Aug. 1521. Robert Arkesay, par. Hutton Cranswick. To the Prior of Watton xxvj s. viij d., desiryng hyme that I maye have absolucion, and be maide a brother of ther religion, &, if it please my lord to make me a brother, then I wil that the obiter have vj s. viij d. for the cariage of it through the religion.

CXV. THE WILL OF RALPH HILDRETH OF FRODINGHAM.

[Reg. Test. Ebor. ix. 184 *b*.]

Aug. 10, 13th kyng Herry VIII. (1521). Rauf Hyldreth * of Froddyngham. To be beriede wtin the chirch of Froddingham. I bequeath for my funeral expenses, the day of my beriall, to them that ar moost mysterfull, xl s. To Sir Robert Brandesby, to pray for my saull, my fader, and my moder saulis, my Lady Graistoke, and Maister Robert Constable saulles, the saulle of Henry Lowike, the saull of Jane Hildreth my laite wif, to syng for hus by the space of a yere, iiij li. vj s. viij d. To the Prior of Bridlyngton, to gif me clere absolucion, xl s. My feoffees to be seasid in my landes, etc., in Walkyngton & Kenygraves to the use of Alicie, my wif, terme of hir lif.

[Pr. 28 Nov., adm. to Richd. H. son & sole exr.]

CXVI. THE WILL OF WM. TURNER OF NOTTINGHAM, MERCER.

[Reg. Test. ix. 223.]

Sept. 5, 1521. Wm Turner of Nottingham, mercer. To be bur. at St. Peter's. Toward a new tabernacle to the ymage of Saynte Petir in the hye where of Saynte Peter chirch v s.

* Cf. Poulson's Holderness, i. 301-2.

Toward costes of the frame for the bellys to be new hong xiij s. iiij d. To my son Thomas v yerdes of clothe of his moder making, to make hym a gowne and a hode at such tyme as he shalbe preist, and, by the grace of God, syng his first Messe.

CXVII. THE WILL OF GILES SLATTER OF YORK, FURRIER.

[Reg. Test. Ebor. ix. 201 *b*.]

Oct. 4, 1521. Giles Slatter in the parishe of Saynte Elene in Stanegaite, furriour. To be beriede in the chirch yerde, as nye my childer as may be. To Mr Vicar of Saynte Elene church ij dossons white lame skyns and a chare. To William Slatter a locor full of chankkes. To Robert Newell a shithe w[t] my bekes, and a qwhartron of white lame skyns. To Thomas Exton a kippe of white lame.

[Pr. 17 Jan.]

CXVIII. THE WILL OF AGNES CONSTABLE OF WITHERNWICK.

[Reg. Test. Ebor. ix. 225 *b*.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. Anno Domini millesimo quingentesimo, vicesimo primo, nono die mensis Octobris, Ego, Agnes Constable * de Withornewike, compos mentis ac sanæ memoriæ, condo testamentum meum in hunc modum. Inprimis do et lego animam meam Deo Omnipotenti, Beatæ Mariæ, et Omnibus Sanctis Ejus; corpusque meum sepeliendum in angulo Beatæ Mariæ. Item do et lego, nomine mortuarii mei, optimum meum animal. Item do et lego, to amende the serges afore our Ladie, iij s. iiij d. Item do et lego Salvatori in choro unam vaccam quæ vocatur Marygold, ut inveniret lumen imperpetuum coram Eo. Item do et lego to the Roode at Silston my best whie, to fynd lyght evermore. Item do et lego Beatæ Mariæ in porticu dimidium quarterium ordei. Item do et lego Beatæ Mariæ de Beverlaco my best gowne. Item do et lego Beatæ Mariæ de Hull my best reband. Item do et lego Sancto

* A curiously worded will, with some interesting bequests. The testatrix was the widow of Charles Constable of Withernwick.

1521, May 6. Karolus Constable de Withornewyke. Sep. in angulo B. M. de Withornwyke. Summo altari vj s. viij d. Sancto Albano iiij d. Beatæ Mariæ in angulo j vaccam quæ vocatur Gossep. Beatæ Mariæ in porticu dim. quart. ordii. Willelmo Hadilsay sen. a le hawflyng with a pyed face. Res. to wife Agnes & dau. Barbara—they ex[r]. To Sir Wm. Constable two young mares, to be good master to my wife. [Pr. 24 May.] (Reg. Test. ix. 167 *b*.)

Johanni de Bridlyngton my best beades and to Sainte John hede a herte of silver. Item do et lego domui de Bridlington a paire of lyne sheites, a basyn and a towell for to weshe ther fette in. Item do et lego choro ecclesiæ iij s. iiij d. Item do et lego fabricæ ecclesiæ ibidem a quarter wheite. Item do et lego fabricæ ecclesiæ de Brandisburton a quarter barlye, et alium fabricæ ecclesiæ de Withornewike, ut presbyteri orarent pro animabus Caroli Constable, Thomas Bolys, et Agnetis Constable, in the generall beade rowlle ever. Item do et lego iiij^or^ ecclesiis matricibus, earum cuilibet iiij d. Item do et lego cuilibet domui de Withornewike ij d. Item do et lego Roberto Haknay iiij^or^ barbicas, duos bucculos, and a losyn sheirte. Item do et lego Francisco Gowsill a losyn sheirte. Item do et lego Johannæ Boid a sangwyn gowne and a kirtle. Item do et lego Aliciæ Warde a cowe, a paire of sheites, and a white coverlett. Item do et lego Johanni Kirke a cowe, that she may helpe to bryng up hir childer to thei come to lawfull age, a ston woll, ij yerdes lyn, and a feyng clothe. Do et lego summo altari xij d., et Sancto Albano v s. Do et lego Agneti Bolton a whie. Do et lego Katerinæ White a smoke. Lego Aliciæ Proctour a smoke and an naperon. Lego Elisabeth Austwike a yowe and a lame, a new smoke, and a pettycoite. Lego to a Gode's love bede a feyng cloth. Lego Johanni Thirgett ij yowes w^t^ ij lames. Lego domui de Nunkelyng vj pewter dishes and vj dublers. Lego Willelmo Herker a yowe lame, and a other to William Leman. Lego Domino Johanni Lytster a latyn basyn and a candlestike. Lego to by a baner clothe viij s. Lego Willelmo Bolton iiij d., et Johanni Proctour iiij d. Lego Willelmo Pacoke a sew. Lego Johannæ Robynson a tawney gowne. Lego iiij^or^ filiabus Thomæ Cowton, cuilibet earum a dubler. Lego idoneo presbytero xl s. ut oret pro anima mea dimidium anni. Lego Thomæ Cowton a tawne galbardyn ut esset supervisorem (*sic*) hujus testamenti. Residuum vero omnium bonorum meorum, superius non legatorum, debitis meis solutis, et expensis funeralibus deductis, do et lego Ricardo Thirgott et Margaretæ Dogeson, sorori meæ, quos ordino et constituo meos executores, ut ipsi disponant melius pro salute animæ meæ, prout sibi melius videbitur. Hiis testibus Domino Ricardo Carter vicario, Johanne Litster capellano, Johanne Kirke, et Roberto Whelpedaill.

[Pr. 16 Nov. 1522.]

CXIX. THE WILL OF MAUDE FREMAN OF ALLERTON-BY-WATER, WIDOW.

[Reg. Test. Ebor. ix. 217 *a*.]

Oct. 16, 1521. Matilde Freman of Allerton by Water, widdoo, whertfull of mynde. To be beriede within the parishe chirche of our Lady of Kepax. Unto a vaile to hang before the Rode lofte xviij yerdes of lyne clothe. To the maynteynyng of our Lady service in the said chirch of Kepax, and to th'use of the same service, a cotage and a close callide Chapell Roide, with a laithe & sex acr' of arable land lyeng in th'est ende of Olton Crosse within the lordshipe and parishyng of Rothwell, to the entent that the preist shal pray for the saull of Kateryn Watson, my saull, & for all our good benefactours saulles, & for al Cristen saulles, for ever more. I gif to the said service xxiij s. iiij d. which I lent Steven Lucas, & that he aw to me the day of the makyng herof. To the chirch of Kepax viij li. that the vicar and the chirchwardenes may by lande w^t^ to make a yerely obite for my saull (etc. *as before*). To sex faderles childer, beyng with John Watson of Allerton, every on iij s. iiij d. To the tabernacle of Saynte John in Kepax chirch xij d. To the caucey at Swillington brige iij s. iiij d. To Thorobrige in t'hye strete iij s. iiij d. To John Watson a paire of whernys.

[Pr. 13 Dec.]

CXX. THE WILL OF THOMAS BATLEY OF BATLEY, CHAPLAIN.

[Reg. Test. Ebor. ix. 217 *b*.]

Oct. 31, 1521. Thomas Batley, capellanus. Sep. infra eccl. Omn. Sanctorum de Batley. Meum opt. bonum nomine mortuarii. Ecclesiæ, propter reparationem librorum, vj s. viij d. Cuilibet presbytero existenti ad Missam et ad Exequias vj d. Presbytero idoneo, ut celebret j trentale pro me, & pro animabus parentum meorum et omnium fidelium defunctorum, x s. In die anniversarii ad Exequias et ad *Missam* x s. Ad reparationem cantariæ, circa altare, vj s. viij d. I wil be brought forth with brede & ale like an honest preiste; & specially to most poore people x s. in penny doile. I will that on honest person go for me to our Lady of Walsingham, & to our Lady of the See cooste, if I may not doo it myself; for his labour x s.

Item vij nobles to on chales, or iiij markes, if it may be, to the chauntre, if my Lady gif non, or, els, to the parishe of Batley. That this may be fulfilled and performed I gif sex sylver sponys to help towarde, with best of my rayment. Residue to my maistres Mirfeld, Adam Harrop, my executours, to dispose for my saull as thei thinke best & spedfull in the name of Jhesu, withoute any charge. Item a candle of wax afore Saynte Erasmus, if it may be on yere, x d. price.

[Pr. 11 Feb. 1521-2.]

CXXI. THE WILL OF JOHN FYNWELL OF HULL.

[Reg. Test. Ebor. ix. 191 *a*.]

In the name of God, Amen. In witnes that I, John Fynwell, visited with sekenes, maketh my will and testament, in the yere of our Lord God M[1] dxxj. First that I wit my saull to Almyghtye God, and to our Blissed Lady Saynt Marye, and to all the courte and company of hevyn; and my body to be beried in the Trinitie chirch yerde of Hull. Item I gif my best gowne for my corspresand. Item I gif ij s. for tithes forgottyn. Item I gif to Maister Cokkett my best dublett. Item I gif to the Prior of the Whitte Freres my Lagantt Aure.* Item that I gif to Maister Prior of the Charttour hows my almous beddes with a knob of imperereill (*sic*). Item I gif Robert Clerke, maister of the Mare John, my litle whistell. Item that I gif William Tyngaite my cardyd and my best compas. Item I make my wif Alison, and my iij sonnys, James, Thomas and Robert Fynwell, and that at God sendes frewith of hir body of my behove, to be my executours. Item that I make Maister Cokkett supervisour, to se this will fulfilled. Item that I will have a trentall of messes of *Scala Cœli* at the Blake Freres. Item that she pay my broderhede of our Lady Gilde of Boston yerely. Recorde herof Robert Clerke, James Anderson, and Thomas Watson.

[Pr. 9 Nov.]

CXXII. THE WILL OF WILLIAM ROKEBY, ARCHBISHOP OF DUBLIN, AND VICAR OF HALIFAX.

[Reg. Wolsey, 155.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. Ego Willelmus Rokeby,† Archiepiscopus Dublin, ac vicarius perpetuus ecclesiæ parochialis de

* *i.e.* Golden Legend.

† The will of a distinguished ecclesiastic, a scion of an old Yorkshire family. I find the following notices of Archbishop Rokeby's preferments in the

Halifax, compos mentis, et sanæ memoriæ, vicesimo secundo die Novembris, anno Domini millesimo quingentesimo vicesimo primo, condo testamentum meum in hunc modum. In primis I bequeth my saule to God Almyghtie, our Blessed Lady, and all the Sayntes in heven. Item I will that aftir my deth my body be emboweld, and my bowelles and herte to be buried in the church of Halifax* w^t^yn the quere; and my body to be buried in the new chapell at Sandall, and there a tombe of stone to be made, aboute the same to be writen, *Ego Willelmus, Dublin. Archiepiscopus, quondam rector istius ecclesiæ. Credo quod Redemptor meus vivit*, etc., *qui obiit*, etc., *cujus animæ propicietur Deus.* Item I will that a chapell be made in all convenyent hast at Halifax, on the southside of the church,† aftir the discrecion of myne executours and church

Registers at York. On Dec. 15, 1485, Wm. Rokeby of Kirk Sandal had letters dimissory. On Aug. 4th, 1487, he was inst. to the rectory of Little (or Kirk) Sandal. On June 18, 1498, being doctor of decrees, he was appointed warden of Sibthorpe hospital. On June 5, 1501, he was inst. to the rectory of Sproatley, which he resigned in Feb. 1502–3, receiving out of it a retiring pension of 4*l.* per ann. On June 13th in the same year he was coll. to the free chapel of Ferrybridge, which he gave up in 1512. On June 12, 1502, he was inst. to the rich vicarage of Halifax, which he held till his death. On Feb. 13, 1502–3, he was coll. to the stall of St. Andrew at Beverley.

In 1496 he was coll. to the rectory of Thorpland, Norfolk, which he held during his life. (Blomefield, vii. 99.)

In 1507 Rokeby became Bishop of Meath; from which see he was translated to Dublin in 1511–12.

Two chapels, at Sandal and Halifax, commemorate him. There is an interesting account of the former by Mr. Hunter in his History of South Yorkshire, and for the latter my readers must be referred to Watson's Halifax, pp. 338-9, 387, 502–3. See also Wood, Ath. Oxon. ii. 717–20; Cotton's Fasti Eccl. Hib. ii. 18, iii. 114; Cox's History of Ireland, i. 202, 208.

Rokeby was a generous, noble-minded Yorkshireman, one of a host who have loved their native county, and scattered tokens of their affection for it with a lavish hand. In the 'Œconomia Rokebeiorum' he is one of the most prominent figures.

The Archbishop's father and mother died in the month of October, 1506, probably victims to some epidemic. Their wills—both very short—were proved on the same day. The following abstracts give every bequest they contain:

5 Aug. 1506. Johannes Rokeby de Kirk Sandall, gen. Sep. in eccl. par. prædicta. Lego pro mortuario meo, ut mos est. Summo altari pro decimis meis oblitis, ij s. Cuilibet filiarum mearum j ovem. Resid. Margaretæ uxori meæ et Radulpho Rokeby, filio meo—ex^r^. Test. Dom. Will. Whapelott, Dom. Rob. Clerk capellanis, Tho. Ricarde de Haitfeld, et aliis. [Pr. 6 Oct. 1506.] (Reg. Test. vi. 158.)

13 Aug. 1506. Margareta Rokeby, nuper uxor Joh. R. de Sandal, vidua, ægrota corpore. Sep. in eccl. de S. Pro mortuario, ut mos est. Res. Magistro Willelmo R., filio meo, quem ordino exec. Test. Dom. Will. Whapelott de Sandall cap., Will Bekkett de eadem, et multis aliis. [Pr. 4 Oct. 1506.] (Reg. Test. vi. 159.)

* Watson, in his History of Halifax (p. 503), says 'once, if not oftener, the little lead box which contained his heart and bowels has been dug up.'

† This wish of the testator was carried out.

By Will d. 12 Oct. 1533, Wm. Brig of par. Halifax desired to be buried in

maisters, and there a tombe to be made w^t myne image, and therupon writen, *Hic jacet cor Willelmi Rokeby, nuper Dublin. Archiepiscopi, et vicarii perpetui istius ecclesiæ, qui* (etc.), *credo*, etc. Item where I did obteyne a pardon for the parish of Halifax and the parishinges yerunto adjoynyng *pro lacticiniis in Quadragesima edendis*, I will that myne executours, at their discrecion, obteigne, *sub plumbo*, the saide licence to be renewed, and the profite therof to be employide for a preste to syng at Halifax in my said newe chapell, as long as may be, by th'advice and discretion of my said executours and the churchwardennes. Item to my sustour at Sandall I bequeth a cop of silver in valour v marc, and to her husband sex silver spounes. Item her doghtour, Wicok wif, ten marc, but that at the discrecion of myne executours. Item to Thomas Ricard wiff xx marc, and to Rauff Barneby and his wiff lxx marc, xx marc therof to fynde hyme at Courte for iij yeres; and, when he is xx^ti yere olde, other xx^ti marc, and the other xxx^ti marc whenne he and his wiff do sett up house, if he be well rewled, as shalbe thoght god by myne executours, and avoide evell company, and procede in his lernyng, and elles this legacie concernyng hyme to be voide. Item Edwarde Barneby to be founde at the scole and universitie, at the discrecion of myne executours, v yeres, l marc, and more at their discrecions. Item my best chales to the chapell at Sandall, and the secunde to the chapell at Halifax. Item I remytt to my brother Thomas all such dettes that he doeth owe me, viz xx li. I will also that he have a cop worth fyve markes. Item to Doctour Ricard all my rynges. Item to Charles Downeley xx^ti markes. Item to my brother Rauf son a cupp that my said brother hath in his kepyng. Item to Roger Midilton xxxiij s. iiij d. Item to my poer kynnesfolkes, being to me in my degree and undir, to have xxvj s. viijd., or xxx s., or lesse or more, at the disposicion of myne executours, so that they be poer. Item to ij wemen that kept me, either of theyme, xl s. Item to th'erle of Kildare xx li. Irish. Item to Crist church xx li. Irish. Item to Saynte Patrike church xx li. Irish. Item at both the saide Cathedrall churches to have *Masse* and *Dirige* song, and the chanons to have xvj d., pety chanons and vicars viij d., other mynystres iiij d. Item to my successour cc markes Irish, with all such stones and stuff as I have redy in Ireland prepared for beilding, w^t the tymbir, except

the church there 'before the alter of my chauntre which I have founded in the north part of the churche adjonyng unto on chapell lately edified & buylded by the reverend fader . . . William Rokeby, lately the archbushope of Dublyn.' (Reg. Test. xi. 104.)

This chantry, afterwards, seems to have been called the Waterhouse chantry.

such tymbir as the Tresaurour shall occupie in his beilding at Saynte Parike's, which I will he have as shalbe necessarie for hyme, so that he have not passe the half of the saide tymbre, and lesse, if lesse will serve: And if my successour will gif a generall acquietance to myne executours, thenne he to have the saide legacie, and elles to have nothyng, and the said Treasaurour to have, for his beilding at Saynte Patrike's, lyme, as it commeth from the kilne, and, if he beilde at Dalymore, to have colme of my coste, and somme help with cariage. Item to my steward, Nicholas Ricarde, I gif all the lande I boght of Quadreit being in Talent. Item I will that myne executours diligently labour that Tamlyne Kilewell, and the benefice of Insula beyng voide, may be appropriated for the founding of iiij pety chanons and ij queresters, if it so may be, or for ij pety chanons and ij queresters; and for that entente I bequeth ccc markes Irish to be in the custodie of myne executours unto such tyme as it shalbe expedient to lay forth the same at theire discrecion, by th'advice of the chapitour of Saynte Patrike's, to that use, pourpose and entent, and will that ther be but one maner of aile for the peti-chanons and queresters, and at the queresters have somme daily refeccion for brekefast aftir our Lady Masse, and drynk at iij of the clok and vij. Item, by the advice of the dean and chapitour, my successour to be favourable, and to perfourme the propriacion of the said iij benefices, to have of the said ccc markes a convenyent rewarde, as the saide dean and chapitour shall thynke goode. Item to every of my servauntes oone hole yere wages. Item to my brother Tresaurour xx li. Item I remytte to my brother Rauf xx li. of the xxxiij li. that he oweth me, and to Wycombe oone hole yere fee. Item I remytte unto Roberte Talbott v marc of the x marc he oweth me for fercolyn (*sic*) and cobbes. Item to Sir John Russell I remytt xxx s. of the iij li. he oweth me. Item to my god doghtor, Isabell Rokeby, if she be found, x marc, and to her sistor Serlby v marc. Item I will that a doctour in divinitie have x li. to be occupied in prechyng oone yere at Halifax, Kirkby, and Beverley. Item I will that vij sermondes be made at Fakenham in Advent and Lent by some doctour or bacheler in divi(ni)tie, regular or secular, and he to have iiij or v marc at the discrecion of myne executours. Item to Crosley, for his fee, iiij li. x s. Item to my Lorde of Meth my best kirtell, habite, and best rochett. Item I will that myne executours fynde Bothomley at scole to he be preste, or elles provided of some service. Item I forgyve and remitte M. Wright of Yorke x li. of the money he oweth me. Item to Thomas Ricard xx li., and to my chapeleyne, James Sheffeld, x marc, that they shall give

myne executors advice, counsell, and assistance for the performance of my will, whome I make supervisours of the same will and testamente; and myne executours I name and make my brother Tresaurour, Sir Richard Rokeby, Rauf Rokeby, Doctour Ricard, and Nicholas Ricard, willing that the said Doctour and Nicholas have the handling and disposicion of my saide goodes, and both my saide bretherne to help theyme in every mater as nede shalbe; and to every preste of the parish of Halifax that goeth to Sandall to my buriall I gif vj s. viij d.; and to other that tarieth behynde iij s. iiij d.; and to my chapell at Halifax vestymentes, (and) ournamentis to the valour of x li. Item to Beverley, vestymentes to the price of x li. Item to Fakenham, for vestymentes, x li. To Kirkby, in vestymentes, x marc. Item to Sibthorp xl s. To Sprotley xl s., or a vestyment. Item the preste that shalbe at Sandall to have markes, or x li., as may be spared. Item to John Lister xl s. To his wiff xx s. Item to Pursell xl s. sterlyng. Item to Garland xx s. Hiis testibus Willelmo Mayson capellano de Halifax, Johanne Paldon de eadem, mercatore, Ricardo Glewe de Eboraco mercatore, et Johanne Notingham de Halifax, cum pluribus aliis.

[Pr. 4 Feb. 1521-2, & adm. to Mr. John Ricarde S. T. P. & Nic. Ricarde; potestate comm. Domino Ric. Rokeby mil. & Rad. R. gen. reservata.]

CXXIII. THE WILL OF THOMAS WENTWORTH OF NORTH ELMSALL, ESQ.

[Reg. Test. ix. 297.]

April 1, 14th Henry VIII (1522). I, Thomas Wentworth, of North Elmesaull,* Esquier. To be beriede in my parishe kirke of Kirkby, in the northe side of the Lady's where, nygh where my wif lyeth. . . . I will that there be disposide for me the day of my beriall xx marc. Also for an obite that tyme twelmonthe for me, and my wif, and al Cristen saulles, x marc. To every servaunte in my house which haith doone me service yerely by the space of vj yeres, every of them xx s., over and besides ther duyte. To my other servauntes of household a quarter wage, over and besides ther wages duye to them. To the iiij Orders of Freres, and to the Priorisse and Convente of Hampole v li., that is to say xx s. to the Freres in Pontefret; xxvj s. viij d. to the Grey Freres in Doncaster; and xiij s. iiij d.

* The head of the house of Wentworth of North Elmsall, par. South Kirkby. Cf. Glover's Visitation, 378.

to our Lady Freres in Doncastre; and xx s. to the Freres in Tikehill; and xx s., residue of the saide c s., to the Priorisse and Convente of Hampole. To xxiiijth of the poorest housholdders within Kirkeby parishe xxiiijth mettes of corne, that is to say, to every house holder half a mette of whete and half a mette of malte; and, in like maner, unto xvjth of the poorest housholdders within the parishe of Baddesworth, to every of them oon mette of corne, *scilicet*, half of whete, and the other halfe malte. Where I have giffyn and granttid . . . to William Ellis, Roger Wentworth, and other, oon mease with a garthing and a crofte in Altoftes, nowe in the tenure of Roberte Beamounte, unto the yerely valour of x s. ij d.; also . . . have surrenderid certeyn landes & tenementes in South Elmessaull . . . to the yerely valor of vj s. viij d., and other landes and tenementes in the same com. . . . to the yerely valour of xvj s.; also oon mease with acre of lande within the towneship of North Elmessaull, to the yerely valour of x s.; also landes & tenementes in South Elmesall . . . to the yerely valour of xxvj s. viij d.; also I have infeoffed them & other of a close cont. vj acres oppon the south side of Sirike rode in the towneship of Hemysworth in the yerely valour of v s. . . . for performacion of this my will . . . and that the isshus . . . shulde goo and be to the use of a preiste to celebrate and say Messe and other Divine service within the chappell of Sancte Margarete in North Elmessall, whan he therunto is disposid, for ever to pray for my saull, my wif saull, my fader and moder saulles, for the saull of Waltere Hawkesworth my sone in lawe, my breder and sisters saulles, and my childer saulles, and for al Cristen saulles, havyng for his wage and salary the isshues and profittes of all the forsaide landes and tenementes, the which somme will extende unto vij markes. Where I am at libertie to assigne landes and tenementes to the yerely valour of x marc for terme of xijth yeres, which summe will extende unto xx li., I will that my feoffes shall suffir my sone, Thomas Wentworth, to receyve yerely x marc . . . unto he have receyvid xl^{ti} marc; & xl^{ti} li. unto the use of Roger Wentworth towardes the marriage of his doughtours; & xx^{ti} marc residue to Olyver Wentworth, my sone, towarde the mariage of his doughtours. I have infeoffed Sir Waltere Calverley knyght, Brian Hastynges, Richard Litster, John Portyngton, Thomas Lee Esquier, and Thomas Wentworth, my yonger sone, of & in al my maners, etc. . . . . my executours to gif parcell of the summe of c li. towardes the upholdyng and reparacions of the kirke and of the houses of Freres Observauntes in Newarke; & other parte toward the upholdyng and reparacions of the kirke and other houses of the Freres Observauntes in New-

castell uppon Tyne; & the remanent . . . unto a preiste to say Messe and other Divine service for my saull and al Cristen saulles. My iij yonger sonnes, Roger, Thomas, & Oliver. . . . And, farther, if my saide son and heire, by hymself or by other, doo interrupte or lett this my last will to be executed by reason of any entre in any landes of takyng of my goodes, as is aforesaide, I besech God that the malediccion and curse of the Fader in hevyn, and myne, as far as God haith giffyn me power, may descende and light upon (him) and his blode for ever. And if he do suffre this my last will to be quietely executed according to the true intente herof, than I praye Gode that the benediccion of the Fader of hevyn, and myne, as far as God haith giffyn me power, may descende and light upon hyme and his blode for ever. The residue . . . to Roger & Thomas Wentworth . . . they executours, whome I desire, and, farther, I charge them, as they will answer unto me before the hye Juge, to performe and execute this my last will, as they wolde I dide for them in like case, and to defend them with suche goodes as I have giffyn unto them. In wittenes wherof, I, the forsade Thomas Wentworth, to this my present (will) have subscribed my name and putto my seale, the day and yere above writtyn; and, for farther surtie, this will haith been opynly rede and declared in the presence of my goostly fader, the vicar of Kirkby, Robert Watkyn, John Norton, Adam Okeden, and William Dicson.

[Pr. 19 Nov. 1524.]

CXXIV. THE WILL OF CATHERINE SMITH OF YORK.

[Reg. Test. Ebor. ix. 226.]

In the name of God, Amen. The vj day of Junii, the yere of our Lorde God M[l] D.xxij[d]. I, Kateryn Smyth, with a hoole mynde and a full mynde (*sic*) ordens and makes my will in this maner folowing. First I witt my saull to Almyghtye God my Creator, and to the Blisside Virgin our Lady Saynte Marie, and to all the celestiall company of hevyn, and my body to be beriede in my parishe churche yerde of Saynte Nicolas. Item I wit for my mortuary my best garment. Item I wit iiij li. wax to burne abowte my body the day of my sepulture. Item I wit ij torches, price ij s. iiij d. Item I witto every on of my iij sisters a gowne and a kirtle. Item I witto Byggyng wif a violett kirtle and my blake gowne. Item I witto Sainte Nicholes kirke a lang towell and a kercheff to be a corporax. Item I wit a pound and a half wax to be maid in iij kandeles,

on to burne afore the Trinite, a other to burne before Saynte Sonday, the iij to burne before Sainte Katerine. Item I wit Robert Pekeryng ij sarkes and iiij s. in money to fynde hym w^t^ to his broder come over. Item I witto the Prior of the Trinite's a paire of clarecordes. Item I wit Maistres Mason a ryng which I was last mariede w^t^. Item I wit John Smyth wif a kerchef. Item I wit iij Messes to be downe the day of my sepulture. Item I wit to the iiij Orders of Freres, every on of them xij d. Item I witto the rowell in my parishe chirche iiij d. Item I wit Roger Verte wif a sameron sheite. Item I wit John Smyth wif a someron apparon, and a neckler; to hir doughtour, a hardyn apperon. Item I wit William Howbanke a kercheff. Item I witto my curate, Sir John Pannall, iiij d. Item to M. Mason a chare and a whissyng; and also the lorvisse to be giffyn to poore folke. The residue of al my goodes, my dettes paid and the funeral expenses maide abowte me, I wit it be divided betwix my broder and my sisters. Item I wil Roberte Jenyng, my broder, be my executour, and Maister Mason to be supervisour, to se this my wil be fulfilled, and he to have for his labour iij s. iiij d. Thes beyng witnes, Sir John Pannall, Thomas Mason, John Smyth, and other.

[Pr. 12 June, 1522.]

CXXV. THE WILL OF SIR RICHARD BASSET OF FLEDBROUGH, KNT.

[Reg. Test. ix. 311.]

June 15, 1522. Richarde Basset,* of Fledburgh, Knyght. If I dye within xx^ti^ myles of Fledburgh, my body to be beriede at the north ende of the hy-altar in the churche of Fledburgh, where the sepulcre is usid to be sett of Good Fridaye; or els, if I dye not within the same space, to be beriede where it shall please God & my executours. I will that xx^ti^ torches be maide and burnyd aboute my body the day of my beriall, and the day of my moneth mynd, if I be beriede at Fledburgh, and that

* The head of another great Nottinghamshire family, about which there is comparatively little known.

30 June, 1535. Ladie Elizabethe Bassett of Fledburgh, widowe. To be bur. at the north end of the high altare in the churche of Fledburgh, before Saincte Gregorie. Son John B., the elder, a chalice, the vestment, the altar-clothes, the superaltare, and all thinges belongyng to the altare, w^t^ the holie watter fatte, and a goblett, and a silver peice. To my dou. in lawe Bassett a blacke silke girdle, a paire of beades, and a golde ring. To Mr Edward Bassett ij swarmes. Dau. Agnes, and son Richard B. Sons John B. the younger & Geo. B. ex^rs^. Mr Dr B. supervisor. [Pr. 7 Oct.] (Reg. Test. xi. 168.)

such poore men as bere and holde the saide torches the saide dayes have ychon of them a blake gowne to pray for my saull. To every preist that cometh to my Dirige & beriall, at Fledburgh, to pray for my saull & al Christen saulles, viij d.; every clerke ij d.; & so in like wise at my moneth mynde. Also I will that there be disposide & dalte in almos the day of my beriall and of my moneth mynde peny dole, and otherwise as shalbe thought expedient to Gode's pleasour, by my executours and by there discretions. Also I will if I owe any dettes, or other duety or dutiez, or have downe any wrong or injury to any persone which I am not remembered of, uppon a due prove maide therof afore my executours, that iche of them be paide and restored of my goodes accordyng to good conscience and right by th'advice of my executours. Also I will a convenient stone, with such scripture and armes as shalbe advised by me or by my executours, shalbe laide over my body, or my sepulcre. Also I will that a preist doo syng for my saull, my fader, my moder, Sir John Lisurys' saull,* al my frendes' saulles, and al Cristen salles in the saide churche afore the altar of oure Lady duryng vij yeres next aftir my dethe, and he to have . . . yerely for his wage vij marc iij s. iiij d. I will ther be giffyn yerely in Lent season to the iiij Orders of Freres in Lincoln, vij yeres next aftir my dethe, to every order vj s viij d. to pray for my saull, and for al the saulles that I am boundon to pray for, and for all Cristen saulles. And also in like maner to the ij Orders of Freres in Notingham, to aither order vj s. viij d. . . . to the Observauntes of Newarke . . . to the prisoners in the castell of Lincoln . . . & in the gaile of Notingham. To the church of Fledburgh, towardes the roode loft makyng, vj li. xiij s. iiij d. To the church of Normanton, if they will make a steple there at any tyme within vij yeres next aftir my dethe, v li. sterlyng, or els, not. To my sone & my heire al my harnes as brigerdyns, coottes of plate, gestrons, peces of whit harnes, salettes, sculles, splentes, standerdes, falles or foldes of maile, halbertes, axes, bowes & arrowse, and al other things belongyng or pertenyng unto harnes or artilory. To my household servauntes, everychon of them, an hoole quarter wage. I will that my too sonnes, John, yonger, and George, be kepte at the gramour scole unto they have conveniently ther gramour, at the costes & charges of my wif. Also I will that aftir my saide sone John be expede sufficiently in his gramour, if he will study the common law of this land, than I will that yerely duryng xiiijth yeres, if he will studye the same lawe in Grey's Inne, that he have yerely for his exhibicion

* The owner of Fledbrough in the reign of Edward III.

xij li.; and if in case that he gyve hymself other wise, and will not study the saide lawe in the inne beforsade, than I will that he have yerely duryng x yeres, aftir that he be spede of his gramoure, bot iiij li. Also I will that my yongest sone George, aftir he be expede sufficiently in his gramoure aftir the mynd of my executours, be bounden apprentice to a marchaunte of the Staple; and immediatly aftur such tyme as he shall have served his apprentiship, if it be thought by my saide executours, or the moost parte of them then liffyng, that he is thryvyng, I will that he have c marc incontynently and without delay, and if in case that he gif not hym self to marchaunduse, and be bounden in maner and forme before specified, or if aftur that he come furth of his apprentiship, he be not thought by my saide executours, or the moost part of them, to be trustye, than I will that he shall have bot iiij li. yerely during x yeres next aftir such refucell to be boundon, or aftir the comyng forth of his sade apprentishipe. Provided alway that if the saide John and George dye, or els be sufficiently avaunced by marriage to landes of the yerely valour of x li., or goodes to the valour of an hundreth poundes, before they have receyved this my legacy, that by the deth or such avauncement of them all that is behynd and not receyvid of the same shall uttirly from thens forth cease and be not paide. To my sistur, Margarete Basset, yerely, viijth yeres, iiij li. for the preferment of hir in mariage; and if case that she dye or els be professed in religion before th'ende of the saide viij yeres, all paymentes . . . to cease. Where by deide bering date, 4th Oct. 22^{d} Herry the vijth, I have enfeoffed John Hussy, John Dunham, Thomas Sutton Knyghtes, John Dunham, George Chaworth, Roberte Nevile Esquiers, Edwarde Bassett clerke, William Bassett my brother, Richard Clerke, gentilmen, & John Coke in my maners, etc., in the counties of Notingham, Lincoln, Yorke, and Werwicke . . . to the use of my will. Where as my wif haith hir joyntour in the manor of Normanton, & in Normanton and Stockome; if she will forgoo hir joyntour, she to have an annuytie of xl li. oute of my maner, etc., of Fledburgh, excepte the maner place and the scite of the maner, with all the houses therto belongyng, the foryerde, the new ortyerde with the gardyns, a close callid th'olde ortyerde, the cunyngry, and the Ley close. Elisabeth my wif, John Bassett my sone and heire apparente, my broder Sir Edwarde Basset clerke, my broder William Bassett, and Sir John Hall clerke executours. Wittenes George Wastnes my sone in the lawe, Sir William Gabitas chaplayne, etc.

[Pr. 11 May, 1525, adm. ex^{rs}, res. to widow.]

CXXVI. THE WILL OF PAUL GILLOUR, MAYOR AND ALDERMAN OF YORK.

[Reg. Test. Dec. & Capit. ii. 131.]

July 15, 1522. Powle Gillour,* maire and alderman of the citie of Yorke, fering many and dyverse perilles that oftyn tymes fallith to man, ordans & makes this my testament and last will, never hereafter to be chaunged. To be buried byfore Sanct Nicholes alter nex the doore of oure Ladis' where in my parisshe church callid Sanct Mychaell of the Belfray. To xij poore men xij gownes, and to a poore woman a white gowne, in the honour of our Blysside Lady; and a candill of twoo pound wax to be borne after my herse. Item I will that my executrix bury my body worshipfully, & make an eghtyn day honestly for me and the weill of my saull; aganst which eghtyn day I will that fyve canndilles of two pund a piece shalbe maide and brynt. To the iiij Orders of Freers in York vj s. viij d. To the Maister & Company of Marchauntes of York, towardes the reparacions of Trinite Hall in Fosgait, iij s. iiij d. For a trentall of Messes to be said w^t^in my parishe church by such prestes as haith moste neid of money x s. To an honest prest, to sing for my saull and for the saulles of Agnes and Issabell my latt wiffes, all my benefactores saulles, and all Cristen saulles, by the space of an hool yere immediatlie after my decease, within my parishe churche, vij marces. I bequeith my shope in Malton to the churchwerdens and parishins of the church, yer as it lyith, for every, upon condicion that they shall put my name and the names of my said wyffes and children in the beidrowll of thare church, and prey yerely for ever for oure saulles emonges oyer saulles w^t^ the Salme *De Profundis*. To Dame Agnes Gillour, my wiff, my close in Monkgait; my interest in a measse in Connyngstret; & my tenement in Bushopthorp, to th'entent y^t^ she shalbe good mother to my children: and, after hir decease . . . the premisis, immediatlie, w^t^owte any other lett [to] remayne to George Gillour, myn eldist sone. I bequeith to Yeldingham abbay a vestment as good as canne be bought for xiij s. iiij d., to pray for my saul and all Christen saullis. To

* A distinguished citizen of York, who rose to the head of the city and died during his mayoralty. He was free of the city in 1495, Chamberlain in 1509, Sheriff 1514–15, elected alderman March 26, 1517, Lord Mayor 1522.

His children in their old age fell into great want. On July 18, 1582, the Corporation agreed 'that two of Mr. Paull Gilloth danghters called Isabell Hoyser and Agnes Blaydes shall have, either of them, ij d. wekly towardes ther relief.'

Gennat, my servaunt, hir wages, hir leveray, and also xiij s. iiij d. to by hir a wedding gowne with. . . I bequeith my son Thomas with his porcion to the custodie, rule and governaunce of Mr Archdeken of Richmond, his godfather, if that it shall please hyme of hys goodnes to take hyme; and, if y^{t} he fall to lernyng, to order hyme as he shall think best. And, in like wyse, I bequeith William my sone, w^{t} his porcion, to Mr Haistinges, parsone of Baynton church, his godfather. And, in lyke maner, I bequeith my sone George, w^{t} his full porcion, to Sir Thomas Diconson. Also I will y^{t} my doughter Agnes shall serve hir maistres, Atkynson, according to the tenour of hir Indentoures, for ye terme of fowre yeres; and, after the same iiij yeres expired, I will y^{t} my said executrix shall deliver hir hir full porcion. Also, in lyke maner, I bequeith unto Cristofer Wals, Isabell, my doughter, w^{t} hir hooll porcion. And, in like maner, I bequeith Sithe and Kateryn, my doughters, w^{t} thair full porcions, unto my said wiff, thair mother, and to thair next fryndes. . . . The residew to my owne children. My wiff ex^{x}. Thomas Burton & William Wright aldermen, and Thomas Clarke gentilman, supervisoures, & ichone of thame to have for thair deligence a blak gowne.

[Pr. 28 July, 1522.]

CXXVII. THE WILL OF THOMAS RERESBY OF ROTHERHAM, GENT.

[Reg. Test. Ebor. ix. 236 *a*.]

Aug. 2, 1522. Thomas Reirsby,* of Rotherham, gentleman. To be beried within the chirche of Rotherham, in the south yle. I woll that every preiste dwellyng in Rotherham shall have the day of my beriall xij d.; and I woll that all other preistes of the countre beyng at my said beriall, every one to have vj d., and in lyke maner thei all to have at my sevynt and twelmonthe daye. To a preist, to say & syng for my saull within the churche of Rotherham, by the space of one hoole yere immediatly after my decesse, viij markes, which priest I woll shall say wokele *Placebo*, *Derige* with *Commendacion*, & *Messe*, iiij tymes in the wike. . . . To my broder Raufe Reirsby xl s., & to every childe of his not here namyd vj s. viij d. . . . To the chirch of Thribargh xx s. . . . To the commynaltye of Rotherham my messe in Denyby, xxvij acres of arable landes, iiij acres of meddow, and iiij acres of pasture, which I of late purchest of Robert Wightman of Denyby; thei to make of half of the said messe & landes

* One of the Reresbies of Thribergh.

yerely for every one annuall obite in the church of Rotherham solenny to be done, for my sall, the saulles of my fader & moder, the saull of Mr Henry Carnebull, for all my frendes and benefactours' saulles, and for all Cristen saulles; the other half to be had & enploid to the commyn profitt and nedes of the said towne, after th'effecte of a deede of feoffament maide to Robert Westby gentleman, William Swift gent., to Ric' Oke, Roger Hardy, & to Robert Brownnell of Rotherham, beryng dayte x^th^ Maye, 6th Henry viij. All my cornes or granes to poore people. The residue I wolbe at the disposicion of Robert Nevile provost of the college of Jhesu in Rotherham, & of John Baxster of Bolton oppon Dern esquier, whom I orden my executors, & Thomas Wentworth of Wentworth, esquier, supervisor.

[Pr. 10 Sept., adm. to ex^rs^.]

CXXVIII. THE WILL OF ROBERT SKYRLEY, DYING AT DONCASTER.

[Reg. Test. Ebor. ix. 244 *b*.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. The fyſt day of Auguste, the xiiij^th^ yere of the reigne of Kyng Henry the viij^th^ (1522), I Robert Skirley,* of Scardeburgh, in good helthe and hoole mynde, makes my Will as after folowith. First, I bequeathe my saull to Almyghtye God, and to our Blisside Lady, and to al the Saynctes in hevyn, to pray for me; and my body to [be] beriede in Sayncte Marie kirke, beside Ellen my wif. I gif to the person, for my corcepresaunt, my best gowne. I make my executors, Robert Skirley my son, and my fader, William Percy. I gif unto Robert, my son, my land at Hornsebeke, and my howse at the Leid stowpe, that nowe wonnys in Alison Gilson; and a howse that some tyme was Robert Waynmanse, that nowe wonnys in John Amonson; and ij howses, that some time was the parson of Gissylle's,† be the sonne side of my fader poore howse; and a howse that is called Mikell howse, of the other side of my fader poore howse; and a grete sillour w^t^ a loft a bowne that some tyme was Pers Perse's, a litle fro the Smythe

* A very interesting will for the history of Scarborough. The testator sprung from Hornsea, and was connected with shipping and fishing.

1502–3, Jan. 20. Wm. Skyrlay, of Hornesebek, fyschmonger. Sep. in eccl. S. Nic. de Hornse. Sons John & Robert S. & wife Joan ex^rs^. [Pr. 3 May, 1503.] (Reg. Test. vi. 61.)

1512, Jan. 22. Joh. Skirlay, of Hornesebek. Sep. in eccl. B. Nicholai de Hornse. Wife Joan two houses in Northgate. Dau. Eliz. Bro^r^. Robt. S. Matri meæ iiij leȝ sperling nettes, et ij leȝ heryng nettes, et ij le newhalvers. Wife ex^x^. [Reg. Test. viii. 101.]

† *i.e.* Goxhill.

hill. Also I gif unto Robert, my sone, al my other moveable goodes, and shyppyng, and cattell, excepte suche thynges I bequeathe to other folkes; and also to dispose for me, Margaret and Ellen my wiffes. I gif to Jenet, my doughtour, the estermer litle howse in Fynkill Strete, that some tyme was Master Tonstalle's. And I gif hir a federbede, a bolster, a pare of sheites, ij coverlettes, an brasse pott, and xl s. I gif to Margaret, my doughtour, the westermer howse, and a litle howse and a garthe a gayns hitt, that I bought of James Robynson. I gif to her a federbede, a bolster, a pare of sheites, ij coverlettes, and a brasse pott, and xl s. in money. I gif to my fader Percy a golde ryng, that was the Archediacon's of Scoteland, and iij li. vj s. viij d. for his labour, to se for my sonny's right. I gif to my sone a golde ryng that [was] Beke's sonys, and the smalest golde ryng. I gif to my moder Percy, j blake worsted kirtle, and the gretter golde crokes, and a sercenett tippett, and a fyne kerchef. I gif to Rauf Bukton a golde ryng. I gif to Anne Bukton a patlett of velvett and a kerchef. Item I gif to every oon of hir childer xx d. I gif to my sone the best girdle and the best bedes. I gif to Elisabethe Percy a bought bonnet, and a pare of crokes that was Margaret Heslerton. I gif to my gossope, Robert Fowler, a golde ryng, and xxvj s. viij d., and I pray him to be of consell withe my fader Percy for the profitte of my sone and the well of my saull. I gif to Luce Danby a pare of bedes and x s. I gif to Elene Danby a girdill with a silver hernes that was hir grandeham; and to my sone a girdle that was his grandhamy's. I gif to the Abbot of Cristal and his breder, to pray for me, xx s. I gif for forgetten tithes xiij s. iiij d. I gif to the Gray Freres the keitȝen and the garthe that is by ther howse, that I woyn in, up to the towne wall, payng to Master Whittes ij s. iiij d. by yere. If that my sone dye withoute ysshue, I will that the Grey Freres have that howse at the Leide stowpe that Alison Gilson wonys in, and they to do a *Dirige* and *Messe* for our saulles, with the belman abowte the towne. And if he dye w'oute ysshue, I will that the howses that was the parson's of Gowesele's, and the howse that was Robert Waynemanny's, and the taifferne that was Perys Perce's, go to the upholdyng of the Keye, so that they every yere do the day afore Lammes even sende the belman abowte the towne, and pray for the saulles of me, Margaret and Elen my wifes, and Robert my son. I will have a preist syngyng in the hye kirke for me and my wiffes ij yeres; and at Hornse, to syng for my fader and my moder saulles, and Elisabethe Skirley, a yere. And if that my son dye or he come at lawfull age, I pray my fader Percy

to bestowe part of suche goodes as I leif in deides of charitie by the consill of my gossope Foller. I gif to Jenet, my madyn, a rede kirtle and a kerchif, a new mattres, a pare harden sheittes, a coverlett and a brasse pott. I gif to Robert Emmonde vj s. viij d., and my fresid jackett, and a pare hose violett. I gif to Henry Hall a bay nag I bought at Boston. I gif to Robert Marton my worstett dublett, and my worstett jackett, and a gowne lyned wt sattan of Siperse, if he be like to thrive, or, els not, dispose them other wise. I gif to William Marshal wif a towney hat and the band that was my wife's. I gif to Laurence Foster my velvett jacket, to make his childer patlettes and cuyffes. I gif to the Gray Freres ij s. whit rent that I bought of Henry Carthorpe that [*blank*] Thomas Flecher xviij d., and of Robert Clerke, ankarsmyth, vj d., thei to do every yere a *Dirige* and *Messe* for me, my wif, and my sone. I gif to every house of Freres in the towne iij s. iiij d., to pray for me. I gif to Thomas Marssynygall the gowne that I were ever, wt blake freise lynyng, to make his wif a kirtle. I gif to William Marshall an orege colour gowne, furred wt whit lame. I gif to Jenet, my doughtour, the howse that Margaret shulde have had.

CODICILLUS. This addicion I make be cause of my discharge, and for to content the place of the Graye Freres in Doncastre where that it please Almightie God to call me to His gret mercy, not withstandyng my last Will maide at home to stande in full strenght. And, beside fulfillyng of this writtyng, by cause it is the good costome of the churche, where the body liethe to have a corcepresand, therfor I will the place aforesaid have my horse that I dide ride oppon, sadle and bridill; and for my grave in the churche vj s. viij d.; and for the *Messe* and *Dirige* v s.; and to the common well of the place xx s.; and to my confessor xvj d.; and to my chaplayn viij d.; to the woman that kepithe me, for hir labour, vj d.; and to iiij childer xvj d.; to the Convent xx olde lynges; and, for a obite, to be beriede, x s.; and to every on of my chippores the last yere xvj d. for salt that I tuke up; and to v men that goys in my bote, every oon of them a pilche. And I forgif Robert Panyerman al rekennyngs betwix hym and me, saving iiij nobils. And I gif Robert Barell a wodmell slope, and a pare of breche of the same, and x s. of the dett he owithe me. And I gif to Rowland Huwod a wodmell slope and a pare of breche of the same. And I forgif Alison Taliour al the dettes she owe me, a horse my servand rides oppon. And I gif John Heslerton a blak mere that gois in Catton car. And I gif my fader Percy al my horses and meris that gois in Langdon. And I gif my fader Percy

a jerkyn of chamlet, and a servand a jacket: and I desire my fader and Robert Fowler to se my shippyng to the behove of my sone. This fulfillid, al the residue of my goodes to the behove and profitt of my son.

[Pr. 3 Oct.]

CXXIX. THE WILL OF THOMAS STRANGEWAYS, KNT.

[Reg. Test. ix. 343.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. In the xiiijth yere of the reigne of oure soverayng lorde Kyng Henry the viijth (1522), I, Thomas Strangwayes,* Knyght, the secunde daye of Septembre, with a hoole mynd, makes my will in maner and forme herafter folowyng. First, I gif my saull to Almyghtie God, and my bodie to be beriede at Mountegrace, where as the Prior of the same house thynkes best, or in suche a place where it shall please God to call me unto His mercy. Also I gif to my corsepris-aunce my best horse. Also I gif to the Montegrace, if it please God that I be beried there, on other horse. Also I gif to the saide house of Mountegrace, and to the brether of the same, for to pray for my saull, lx s. Also I gif to my brother James xl li. Also I gif to ichon of my susters one pare of sheites. Also I will that ichon of my houshold servauntes have a quarter wage more than they have servyd for, to helpe them to gete masters with all. Also I will and giffes to Anne Maynman vj yowes, vj lames, too kye and ther calfes. Also I gif to Christofer Cuthberde a maire and a foile. Also I will that oon ride to Conturbury for me in pilgramage, and offer an noble unto Sancte Thomas for me: and he that shall ride, for to go by our Lady of Walsyngham, and there for to offer unto that Blissed Lady for me xx d. Also I gif to the White Freres of Northalverton, for to pray for my saull, xiij s. iiij d. Also I gif to the churche of Osmondderley vj s. viij d. Also I gif to the churche of Whorleton other vj s. viij d. Also I will and bequeath to a preist, that shall syng for my saull in Harlesay chapell the space of vij yeres, and to have every yere to his salarie wages durying the said vij yeres, iiij li. Also I gif unto my doughtour in lawe a litle colar sett with stones, which was bequeathed her in my wife's will, if she demean hir self unto hir husband as she ought to do; and if she do nott, it to be disposed to the performaunce of my will. Also I will that my executours paye my

* A son of Sir James Strangeways, knt. He married a daughter of Lord Dacre, who predeceased him.

dettes and my bequestes of my landes after, as they will extende or goo. And where as my lands will not extende therto, which as I have puttyn feoffamente for performaunce of the same, then I will that my goodes be takyn to fulfill the reversion of my said will and bequeste for performaunce of the same use. Also I will that the Prior of the Mountegrace have, for to pray for my saull and all Cristen saulles that God wold have praid fore, xx s. Also I will that the Prior of Lannarcost and the Convente of the same house shall syng for my wife's saull, as they have done, unto Martynmes next commyng, and the said Prior to have iiij li. as my wif will was. Also I will that the preist that synges at our Lady chapell of Mountegrace shall syng there still for them that he synges for, for the space of iij yeres be commyn and gone, and he for to have unto his wages as he haith had before, that is for to say iiij li. in the yere. And if it forton the saide preist to die at any tyme within the said yeres or they be expired and gone, then I will that a other preist of honestie and good discretion be waged in his rome to fulfill the said intente, and he to have unto his wages duryng the residue of the said iij yeres accordding to the rate of iiij li. by yere, and that the said preist that nowe is tell and enforme hyme that fortones to entre after hym the same charge that he haith that synges there nowe. Also I will that my Lord of Dacre shall have the oversight of James my sone and of his wif, unto such tyme that my saide sone James come to the age of xxj yeres. Also I will and bequeath unto my said sone James the reversion of all my goodes, moveable and unmoveable, my dettes and legacies accordding to th'entente of my last will be contented, fulfilled and performed. Also I will where the tennauntes of Drayton haith contend and paide unto me thre gressomes for th'occupacion of there fermeholds, duryng certen yeres, or for terme of lyf, which as yet unto them by no dimission is maide, bot if it fortone herafter at any tyme any dimission to be required uppon me by the said tenauntes, for terme of yeres, or for terme of my lif, if any of thos persones or person have interruption or lett of occupacion of ther said fermeholdes, after the deith of me the said Sir Thomas Strangwais knyght, by my cousyng, Roger Lasselles, than the will of me the said Sir Thomas is that those tennauntes, whiche as is vexed or expulsed, and may have no occupacion accordding unto my graunte or lesse unto them made, they to be recompensed for the residue of there yeres which then be interrupted upon, accorddyng unto every manny's fermeholdes, for theire porcion. Also I make and constitute my brother James, my sone James, and James Canson to be my executours, and they and every one of them

to fulfill, content, and perform in every behalf all my legacies, dettes, and bequestes in this my will conteyned, to the uttermost of my entente herein declared, os they and every of them will answer for in dischargyng my saull. Also I will that my Lord of Dacre be supervisour of this my last will.

[Pr. 8 Oct. 1525, adm. Jacobo S. juniori filio defuncti.]

CXXX. THE WILL OF JOHN BAXSTER OF BOLTON ON DERNE.

[Reg. Test. Ebor. ix. 242 *a*.]

Sept. 26, 1522. John Baxster, of Bolton appon Derne, gentilman. To be beriede in the parish chirch of Bolton afore the ymage of our Lady of Pietye. My feoffes to suffer my ex^rs^ to resave the profittes of all suche landes, etc., as be comprised within ther feoffement, except vj s., viij d., parcell of the rent of xxs. which I late purchesed of Henry Coolbrond, goyng oute of his landes in Goldthorpe, to such tyme as they have paide my dettes, & that to be done in as breve & shorte tyme as can be possible—and then to resayve of them c markes to the marriage of Elisabeth, my doughtour, & vj li. xiij s. iiij d. to the beldyng of the stepill of Bolton church, & to fynd my childer to such tyme as Thomas, my sone & heire apparent, shall come & be of full age, & then they to make estate of all such landes in the countie of Yorke, which descended to me frome Thomas Baxster my fader and John my moder, to my saide sone Thomas & his lawfull heres—(failing them) to my sone Rauf. My landes, etc., in the parishe of Wath, Rawmarshe, & Rotherham, my landes, etc., in Melton nere Wath, in Bramton Birely, to my sone Rauf & his lawful heres, when 21. My sons, Thomas, Rauf, Robert, John, William, & Antony. My feoffes to suffir my chauntre prest of Bolton & the church wardons of the same to take the rent of vj s. viij d., yerely, to cause yerely to be done for ever oon solempne *Dirige* the Thoresday in the fowrte woke of Lent, and a *Messe* of *Requiem* in the daye next folowyng, and so to continue yerely for ever. To Thomas, my eldest son,* a goblett of silver parcell gilt with a cover, a salt of sylver parcell gilt, and al my stuf in my haull. To Sir Thomas Wilkynson, my prest, my gowne lynyd with satan of Sypers. My wif, & son Thomas, ex^rs^.

[Pr. 3 Oct. 1522.]

* Aug. 12, 1537. Thomas Baxter par. Bolton super Derne, gen. Bur. ch. of B. To the stalling of the church 3*s*. 4*d*. Son & heir Robert B. Dau. Lucy B. Bro^r^ Robert Trigott. Brothers Ralph, Robert, John, & Wm. B. Ex^rx^. wife Jane B. and brothers, Ralph and John B. [Pr. 15 Sept.] (Reg. Test. xi. 263.)

CXXXI. THE WILL OF ISABELL WESTBY OF YORK, WIDOW.

[Reg. Test. Ebor. ix. 236 *b*.]

1522. Isabell Westby, widdo. To be beriede at the Blake Freres, afore our Lady, at Mare Magdaleyn altar, if it please God to call me to His mercy here. To my chaplayn, Sir Robert Otway, to syng a yere for my saull, my husband saull, etc., iiij li. xiij s. iiij d. To my doughtour, Dame Margarete Westby, a golde ryng. To my doughtour, Dame Johanne Westby, a gold ryng with ij stonys in it. To my doughtour Isabell a flore of golde w^t^ vij stonys in it, a violett gowne purfeld with velvett. To my son, Richard Westby, a litle goblett of silver. To my son, Robert Westby, a little pece of silver, & a yong horse beyng at Roshall. To my doughtour Matilda a feder bed, etc. To my doughtour Mabell a feder bed, etc. To my sister Alycie vj s. viij d. To Gisburn kirke a chales, a vestyment, & a Messe buke. To my sons, George & Andrew Westby, a silver spoyne, each, etc., & I ordend them my ex^rs^, & bequeath to them for ther labours a litle cheyne of golde w^t^ crosse of Sayncte Antony at it, & a done meire. To by a stone to ly appon my grave xx s. To be spendid the day of my beriall xl s. & on my octave daye xx s. William Haryngton my supervisor.

[Pr. 4 Oct., adm. to ex^rs^.]

CXXXII. THE WILL OF WILLIAM REDE OF YORK, MERCHANT.

[Reg. Test. ix. 262.]

Oct. 22, 1522. William Rede, merchaunte, of the citie of Yorke. To be beriede in Cruce kirke, or where as it shall please Almyghtye God. And I witt unto the kirke for my beriall in the kirke, and it please God I be beriede in it, vj s. viij d. Also I witto my curate, for my mortuary, my best gowne, as costome is. To my curate, for my forgettyn tithes, ij s. To the Roode light within the kirke aforsaide xij d. Unto Alhaloo light xij d. Also I wit a howse at Whitby, standyng in Baxster gate, of viij s. in on yere ferme, the which howse my fader bowght of Sir Robert Tranmowr, unto the Cruce kirke aforsaide perpetualy, for this intent, the kirke maisters shall cause to (be) song or sade our Lady Messe every Weddensdaye throughoute the yere perpetualy after the pos-

session be taken in the howse, as thei will answer for, for to pray for me and my wif, my fader and moder, and my uncle, Sir Henry Wyott, saull, and all Cristen saulles. Also I witto my broder, Cristofer Red, the howse which my fader dwelt in, in Baxtergate, and the best Primer, the which was my uncle, Sir Henry Wiott. Also I wit a shope at Malton, with the ground that it standith oppon, unto Sayncte Michael kirke in New Malton; and thei to cause ther to be done for me and my wif an obit every yere perpetualy, os the day falles of my beriall; which shope I bought of Cristofer Dixson. Also I witto an able prest, that shall syng for me, and my wif, my fader, my moder, and my uncle, Sir Henry Wiott, saull, and al Cristen saulles, the space of a hoole year, iiij li. xiij s. iiij d. sterlyng money. Also I wit, the day of my beriall, a trentall of Messes for to be said for me, and every preist to have for sayng of Messe iiij d. Also I witto Whitby kirke a banner clothe, vj s. viij d. Also I witto William Baker, the which is his childer parte, iij li. vj s. viij d. Also to Robert Dixson xxiij s. iiij d. Also unto Margaret Dixson xiij s. iiij d. Also I witto Thomas Dixson for his childe parte, the which money I recoveryd of his fader in law, Thomas Clerke, xl s. sterlyng money, and al such costes as I have maide of the forsaide Cristofer, Agnes, Thomas, Margaret, and Robert, afore the day of makyng herof, I clerely acquiete them of it. Also I witto my sister, Elisabeth Stele, x s. Also I witto my wif v roodes of land lyeng in Heslyngton feldes, and a garth at Osbaldwike lyeng of the More side, in the holding of the Vicar of Osbaldwike. Also I witto to William Steile, my sister son, iij s. iiij d. Also I witto Jenet Steile, iij s. iiij d. Also I witto Rauf Baker iiij li. The residue of my goodes, my dettes paid, and my wit worde fulfillid, I gif unto Agnes Rede, my wif, whome I orden and makes my executrice, the day and yere aforsaid. Witnes herof Rauf Langley, James Thorne, John Weddale, Rauf Harbotill, and Richard Bossaull.

[Pr. 16 Sept. 1523.]

CXXXIII. THE WILL OF ROGER ROCKLEY, ESQ.

[Reg. Test. xi. 124 *b*.]

Dec. 14, 1522. Roger Rokeley,* in the countie of Yorke, Esquire. My bodie to be buried in the chapell of Worsburght.

* Roger Rockley of Rockley in the parish of Worsborough. For a charming account of him, see Mr. Hunter's South Yorkshire, ii. 295-6.

I will that Thomas Gower, esquire, son of Sir Edward Gower knight, Rauff Ellekar, sone of Sir Rauff Ellekar knight, yonger, Rauff Hungait, Francisce Frobischer, Alexander Castillforthe, Wilfride Pigbourne, gentilmen, stand seasid of the maner of Rokley, otherwise called Fawltwait, & my landes, etc., in Worsburght, Wentworth, Flokton, Thornell, Kexburght, Stanburgh, Pille, Bolsterston, Barnesley, & Oxspring, etc., except all . . . wiche are the right of Elisabeth my wife, Robert Rokley my sone, & Agnes Gower, to my use for life as is convenaunted 12 Sept. 24 Hen. VIII. . . . then two measses in Flokton to the use of Katherine Amyas, my suster, so that Roger Amyas have no profet therof . . . & a measse in Kesburght to the use of Issabell Pigbourne, my suster, terme of hir lif . . . & of one water mylne in Worsburght to the use of Anne Castilforth, my suster, for terme of hir lif . . . of Sawndre house in Worsburght to the use of Anne Hopton, myne awnte, term of her liff . . . My feoffees to have the maner of Faultwait, without making waste, except as much yren stone to be deliveride in one wodd callid Freretaile as the coolewod of the same Freretaile & one wodd callid Braggerwodde shall neide for one falle. I bequeth my beste beiste, in the name of my mortuarie. To the Priour of Monkbretton xx s. To the hye alters of Darfelde, Acworth, Pomfret, Worsborgh, Darton, Sancte Clemente's in London withowt Temple Barre, Thornhill, Doncastre, Tankersley, and Silkstone, every of theme xx d. . . . To everie prest at Worsborgh x s. and three yeardes of chamlet; to Sir John Gilliot x s. and three yeardes of chamlett; to Sir John Holingbrig x s. and three yeardes of chamlett. To Mastres Anne Frankishe three yeardes of clothe, every yearde xij s., and two yeardes of velvet; to my awnt Burdett xij yeardes of chamlet and ij yeardes of velvet; to every of my susters a peice of chamlet; to myne awnt, Anne Hopton, a peice of chamlet; to Sir George Hombeloke, freare, his araie and over throughe holl. To the Gray Frears of Doncastre, every Fridaie for the terme of xv yeire, ij d. to ther dyner. To the White Frears of Doncastre, during xxxiij wekes, every Fridaie, to dyner, iiij d. To the Frears of Pomfret during xxxiij wekes, every Friday, iiij d. and every Freare within the saide houses to say every Fridaie one *Pater noster* and one *Ave Maria* in the honour of the passion of our Lorde, and the joies of our Blissid Ladie, as long as this almouse shall endure. To every maiden maried in Worsborghdaile at Worsborgh chapell during vij years, one whie v s. price, a brasse pott iiij s. price. To everie single woman maried at the said chapell a brasse pott of v s. price; to every single man ther maried a bonnet price

iij s.; to every godchild I have x s., & it to be warid of a pott and panne to theire use, as they & theire frendes will answere before God; & everie of theyme to saie one *Ave Maria* for my soule, if they be at age of discrecione. I will that th'aforesaid Edward Hungate & his fellowes cause ther servauntes at the maner of Fawltwate to make one pot with potage, every Sondaie, with v pennyworth of beefe, and, in Lenton, every Sondaie, lx herens, the first yeire aftre my decease; the second yeire & other yeires during xv yeires, iij d. in beefe, & xxx herens in Lenton, & this to be given to poore peple. My sone Robert to have one basyng with one ewer of silver, one salte; two peaces, one at Birthawait with cover, and one at Rokley; the great chamber at Rokley, to have the great bedde with three of the best coverynges; all brewing wessells, a brasyn morter, the standing pottes, thre great chistes, all the almeres in the knight chambre, with the bordes in the hall, and other bordes and bedstokes and cobordes in everie place, one yron bundon chiste, a Messebooke, superaltare, vestimente & albe. Marr. cov^ts^ betw. Sir Edward Gower & me for the marr. of Robert my son & Agnes his dau. . . . to find 20 *l.* a year for it. To Mr. Henry Savell my ryng, one peice of satten xx s. price. To my cosyn, William Hungate th'elder, three ryalles of golde, one peice of chamlett, three yeardes of satten x s. a yearde; to Mr. William Farhaire, doctour, two ryalles of gold, one peace of chamlett, a tippet of velvet of xx s. price: they supervisours. Edward Hungate, Francisce Frobisher, Alexander Castilfourthe, and Willfride Pigeborne executours.

[Pr. 4 Jan. 1534-5.]

CXXXIV. THE WILL OF WILLIAM CURE OF YORK.

[Reg. Test. Dec. & Cap. ii. 136.]

Dec. 18, 1522. Willelmus Cure.* Lego animam meam Deo Omnipotenti, Creatori meo, Beatæ Mariæ Virgini sacratissimæ, Beato Michaeli Archangelo, glorioso Confessori Sancto Nicholao, Petro, Paulo, et Johanni electis et sanctissimis Jhesu Christi Apostolis, ac omnibus Sanctis Dei, corpusque meum sepiliendum in eccl. metrop. B. Petri Ebor. juxta se-

* William Cure, haberdasher, & 'literatus,' was free of the city of York in 1503. He was Chamberlain in 1510; Sheriff 1511; on Jan. 12, 1516-17, he was elected alderman to the king's great displeasure, whereupon he was discharged of the office March 26, 1517; but he was re-elected April 1521. His second wife was Beatrice, dau. of George Evers.

pulturam Magistri Johannis Raynald, nuper magistri mei, si apud Ebor. me mori contigerit. Duobus idoneis presbyteris celebraturis per spatium septem annorum in prædicta eccl. Ebor. ad altare prope sepulturam magistri mei prædicti, pro anima mea, animabus Aliciæ uxoris meæ, Magistri Johannis Raynald, et domini Ricardi Dawson, ac animabus parentum meorum, et omnium fidelium defunctorum, lxx li. Willelmo Man, et uxori suæ, xl s., et unam cratheram playne de argento, ac unam diploidem de blak velvet. Johanni, Thomæ, et Michaeli Man tria cocliaria argenti. Quinque filiabus dicti Willelmi Man, cuilibet j cocliar & vj s. viij d. Aliciæ Jennyng, sorori meæ, xl s. Beatrici, uxori meæ, unum leȝ nutte cum coopertorio de argento et deaurato. Nicholao Cure, filio meo, j magnam crateram stantem cum coopertorio de argento et deaurato. Michaeli Cure, filio meo, unum le salte cum coop. de arg. et deaur. Philippæ Cure, filiæ meæ, unam crateram stantem cum coop. de arg. et in parte deaur. quæ nuper pertinebat Henrico Marshall. Mariæ Evers sex cocliaria de arg. cum le madynheddes. Ceciliæ Evers sex cocliaria de arg. cum le lyon hedes. Christofero Conyers et uxori suæ x s. Gildæ S. Trin. in Fosegate xiij s. iiij d. Pro celebratione unius trentalis pro anima Thomæ Ynce x s. Petro Cure, fratri meo, xl s. Priorissæ et Conv. de Molseby xl s., ut conscribant nomen meum et nomen uxoris meæ in libro suo qui vocatur le Martilege booke ; et eisdem, pro celebracione Placebo et Dirige cum Missa in die obitus mei, x s. Domino Roberto Rownesley x s., ut oret pro anima mea. Domino Johanni Coltman, clerico fabricæ eccl. cath. Ebor., unam murram stantem sine coop., et unum leȝ jakett de tawny chamelet duplicatum cum yolowe. Magistro Johanni Raysyng meam optimam diploidem de nigro velvit. Johanni Stevynson unam diploidem de tawny damaske. Jacobo Blaides unum le jaket de tawny chamlet duplicatum cum albo et blodio. Idoneæ, sorori meæ apud Boston, xx s. Miloni Man unum le whit ambling stagg unbroken. Volo quod executores mei inter pauperes ad domos suos proprios infra civitatem Ebor. divident decem marcas. Res. Beatrici ux. meæ, Mag. Johanni Chapman not. publ., et Nicholao Cure, filio meo, quos ordino exec. meos. Eidem Mag. Johanni Chapman, pro labore suo, x li.

[Pr. 11 Apr. 1523.]

CXXXV. THE WILL OF ISABEL WARD OF NORTH DIGHTON, WIDOW.

[Reg. Test. ix. 267.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. Vicesimo quarto die mensis Januarii, anno Domini 1522do. I Isabell Warde* of North Dighton, widdo, hoole of mynde, and of goode remembrance, makes and ordineth this my testament and last will after this maner and forme folowyng. First I wit and bequeath my saull to God Almighti, and to our Lady Saincte Mary, and to al the Sanctes in hevyn, and my body to be beriede in the chapell, of the south side, within parishe church of Spofforde. Also I wit and bequeath my best good in the name of my mortuary. Also I wit and bequeath vj torches to be burnyde at the day of my beriall, price every torche ij s. And I will that vj poore men bere the saide vj torches, and every oon of them a whit gowne. And I will that iiij of the saide torches remayne in the church of Spofforth, and the other ij torches to remayne to the parishe church of North Dighton. Also I will that every preist beyng at my beriall have vj d.; and every scolar a peny. Also I will that every poore body beyng at my berial have cheis, brede, and ale, at the sight of my executours. Also I will that Sir William Dereluf prest syng for me furthe the yere that he hath enteride of. Also I will ther be laide of my husband and mee a marbill stone with our ymages porteride ther oppon, with scripture according. Also I will that an conveniente and honest vestimente with an albe and al therto pertenyng, at the sight of my executours, be giffyn and deliverede unto oon chauntre foundid at Spofford. Also I will that Sir William Hebden, and John Fitzthomas, and Elisabeth Sotehill, my doughtour, be my executours of this my last will and testamente, and thei to se the same well and truly to be fulfillide according to my mynde. Also the residue of my goodes moveable and unmoveable, my beriall maide, and my dettes paide, I wit, gif, and bequeathe unto the aforsaide Elisabeth Sotehill, my doughtour, at the sight of the other ij of my executours toofore namede. Thes to wittenes Sir William Derluf, Thomas Curtas, and William Spynke, w^{t} other. Giffyn the day and yere, etc.

[Pr. 9 March, 1523-4.]

* The testatrix was the widow of Nicholas Midelton of North Deighton and of . . Warde. One of her daughters marr. Robert Sothill.

CXXXVI. THE WILL OF THOMAS LEGH OF MIDDLETON, ESQUIRE.

[Reg Test. ix. 267*b*.]

Feb. 10, 1522-3. Thomas Legh,* of Middilton, Esquier. To be beriede on the north side of the he where, wher my auncetours ar beriede, within the paroche church of Rothwell. . . I will that ther be xij power folkes to pray for my saull daylye duryng an hoole yere next after my decesse withe in the parishe church of Roothwell; and every of them to have for ther labour a blake gowne & vj s. viij d. I will that ther be giffyn to the church maisters of Rothwell, to the byeng of a ornamente for ther chauntre which I have maide at Rothwell, vj li. xiij s. iiij d. To poore folkes, the next Lent after my beriall, to pray for my saull, & al Cristen saulles, xx s. To my cousyng, Rauf Hopton, my damaske gowne, for he will nott lightly forgett me. To my broder, William Legh, my chamlett gowne, & my best dublett. To my broder-in-lawe, Rauf Wentworth, my blake gowne lynyde with sercenet, & my gray nag. To my broder, George Wentworth, my tawney gowne furride with shankes. To my cousyng, Nicholas Ellys, my dublet of cremessyn sattan, & my wodknyf whiche my cousyng Topclif gave to me. To my cousyng, Gilbert Topclif,† ij oxon & ij kye, to be frendly to my wif. To cousyng, Thomas Gargrave, a crosse bowe with rake & the arowes and all thinges pertenyng therto. To my godsone, Robert Gargrave, iij li. vj s. viij d. to fynde hym at the scole. The residue of all my goodes, whike & deide, to my wif Elisabeth . . . she executrix: Sir Robert Nevill knyght, my broder Thomas Wentworth Esquier, & my cousyng Rauf Hopton supervisors. Witnesses Thomas Gargrave of Wakfeld gentilman, Gilbert Topclif, Thomas Wentworth, Sir William Gamyll, Sir William Dey, parishe preist of Rothwell.

[Pr. 13 July, 1523, adm. to ex^{x}.]

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* The Leghs of Middleton in the parish of Rothwell came originally out of Cheshire. The testator marr. Elizabeth, dau of Wm. Wentworth, Esq. They had no children & the widow remarr. Henry Arthington. Cf. Glover's Visitation, p. 45.

† 13 Dec. 1527, Gilbert Topcliff, gentleman. To be bur. in church of Wodkirke nere the sepulcre of my fader. Res. to wife, Elizth, to the exhibicion of my childer. She ex^{x}, and to have for feoffment my mansion called the Hagh. [Pr. 18 Feb. seq.] (Reg. Test. ix. 385.)

CXXXVII. THE WILL OF ROBERT JOHNSON OF YORK.

[Reg. Test. Dec. & Cap. ii. 135.]

Feb. 13, 1522-3. Robertus Johnson.* Sep. in eccl. S. Joh. Bapt. de lez Pick, coram altare S. Nicholai. I gyve to Sanct Peter for absolucion, if ever I offendit abowt his warkes, iij s. iiij d. Item I gyve my dowghter Alison xiij s. iiij d., so that she never maike my wiff no besynes for, and she doo, I will shoo have nothing, and I doo har noo wrong as my curate shall recorde the trewght, for she knowis well enewht that she is furth with hir part wt the better. Item I will that my wiff have my dowghter Elzabeth and maike hir as hir awne, as my very turst is in hir, doing to hir as she thinkes best. Item I gyve my brother William on of my gownes, so that he have a whit fur with it, to that entent that he be deligent and gude to my wiff and help hir in hir right. The residew of my guddes that is not bequest I gyve to my wiff, whome I maike my executrix, to bring me furth with, and dispose for my saull as she thinkes best.

[Pr. 25 Feb. 1522-3.]

CXXXVIII. THE WILL OF WILLIAM WISE OF BAINTON.

[Reg. Test. ix. 284.]

In the name of God, Amen. The secunde day of Juny, in the yere of our Lord God m^l D. xxiij^th, that I, William Wise, husbandman, of the parishe of Baynton, of hoole remembrance, orders and makes my testamente and last will in maner and forme folowyng. First I gif my saull to Almyghtie God, and to oure Blissid Lady Sancte Marye, and to all the company in hevyn, and my bonnes to be beriede in the kirke erthe of Sancte Andrew's in Baynton, and my beste horse for my mortuary. I bequeath to the hie altar a bushell of whete. I bequeath to the kirke of Baynton a mette of whete. I bequeath to the chapell of Neswike a mette of whete. I witto Thomas, my son, iij quarters of barlie. I bequeath to every on of my childer a

* The testator had evidently been in the service of the Dean and Chapter. He died in the Minster close, in a house belonging to the College of Vicars.

12 Feb. 1522-3. Christofer Horner, mason, myghtie of mynd and of a hooll myndfulnes. To be bur. within the church of Sanct Michaell callid the Belfraie. I gyve to Sanct Petur warke all my tuyllis within the mason aighe. [Pr. 9 Apr. 1523.] (Reg. Test. Dec. & Cap. ii. 135.)

quarter of barlye, beside ther partes. My dettes paide, and my funerall expenses, I make my wif to be full executrice of all my goodes, and my childer to have their partes equaly in like. I bequeath to John my son xij d. to be overseer. Wittenesses Sir John Wallyngton, Rolland Foster, Richarde Witte, Robert Estuby, and John Garthome.

[Pr. 4 July, 1524.]

CXXXIX. THE WILL OF MARMADUKE CONSTABLE OF NORTH CLIFFE, ESQ.

[Reg. Test. ix. 352.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. I, Marmaduce Constable,* of North Clif in the countie of Yorke, esquier, of hoole mynde and perfitte remembrance, lovyng to God, the xxx day of Auguste, the yere of oure Lorde God m[l] D. xxiij, ordeneth, declare, and makes this my testament and last will in forme folowyng. First I bequeath my saull to Allmyghtie God, to oure Blissid Ladie Sancte Marie, and to all the holye company of Sanctes, and my body to be beried where it shall please God to call me to His mercy; and my mortuary to be as the costome is there. Also I will that in no wise that there be maide for me any maner of dale the day of my beriall, nor at non other exequies to be done for me at any other daye, but oonlye to thies preistes that will saye a Messe of Requiem for my saulle, and they to have therfor iiij d. And the parishe preiste to have for his Masse vj d. And the parishe clerke iiij d. Item I will that there be thre Messes speciall saide at *Scala Cœli* of thre well disposed preistes; and the first shall pray for the saulles of Robert Constable, sargeant at the lawe, Dame Beatrice Ladie Graistoke, and me, Marmaduce, therefore; the secunde preist shall pray for all the saules of my benefactours, good doers, and well willers, and for the saules of all my auncetours; the thirde preiste shal praye for the saulles of all them to whome I have done any wronges in my lyve, wittyngly or unwittyngly; and every preist to have vj d. for his Messe, with this Psalme, *De Profundis.* Item I will that in every of thies parrishes folowing, that is to say, South Cave, North Cave, Hothome, Newbald, Wighton, Everyngham, Seaton, Holme in Spaldyngmore, be dalte vj s. viij d. to the most nedfull poore people in the said

* Son of Robert Constable of North Cliff, Sergeant-at-Law, who died in 1501 (Test. Ebor. iv. 195). This will is of the testator's own making and does credit to his judgment and intelligence.

townnes, that is to saye, every house holdder iiij d. and to the other ij d. Item I will that all and every poore bodye, within the parishe of Saunton and the towne of South Clif, have likewise, and the householders iiij d., and the other ij d.; and this to be dalte by the discretion of my executours. Item I bequeath xx s. to my parishe churche, to be bestowed of thing most necessary for the more honorable service to God, as shalbe divised by my wif and hir councell. Item I bequeath x s. unto the chapell of Clif, to be bestowid likewise; and other x s. towardes the buyldyng of the said chapell. Item I bequeath to every of the iiij Orders of Freres within Hull *et* Beverlac iij s. iiij d. Item I bequeath to the Blake Freres in Yorke vj s. viij d., and they to sing a Messe of Requiem for al Cristen saulles. Item I will that every prisoner within the castell of Yorke to have on penny to pray for all salles. Item I will that my executours fynde too tapours of wax, that on be for Allhalowse at Saunton, and that other at South Clif before Saint Leonard, and they to burne at all Matyns, Messes, and Evensonges one all the halidayes in the yere duryng all the nonage of my heire, and then my heire to be charged with all. Item I bequeath to aither of my too susters, Jane and Elisabeth, xiij s. iiij d.; and on grote for on Messe to be said for my salle of on well disposed preiste there where it shall please them. Item I will that Roberte Hawtclif and John his broder have l s. betwyxt them, to be dalte by evyn porcions, for theire childes' partes which I had in kepyng. Item I will that Roberte Hawteclif have of my goothes, fother, a cowe, and x s. of money. Item I will that Roberte Cottes, Richard Colywell, and Thomas Warde have th'one half yere waiges, over and above theire wages due unto them at the hore of my deith, to pray for my saulle. Item I will that, at th'entre of my sone James to his landes, that my wif gyve unto my sone James thus moche of my goodes, that is to say, on silver pece with the cover, and sex silver spoynes, too my best fedder bedes with coverynges, sheites, blankettes, pillouse, with the best stand bede and hangynges therto belongyng, too mattresses with sheites, blankettes and coverlettes to them belongyng, ij meris, a yong horse, vj yong kye, a c shepe, a hole draght of cattall, that is to say iiij oxen and ij horses with wayne and plough and al maner geire for such a draight necessary. Item I bequeath hym my swerde and all my harnes, all my bookes, all kistes, coffers, copbordes, ambries and tables, save ij chistes, a coffer and a caskett, which I will that my wif have, so that the yrne chiste nor the newe chiste be non of them. Item I will that my sone and heire have al the bruyng vessell with half the

kitchyne vessell and buttre clothes. Item I will that if my son James dye or he be of full age, unmaried and withoute ishue, that than my sone Roberte have al thies forsaid thinges to his broder afore bequeathed, when he is at ful age. Item I bequeath to my sone Roberte a c li. for and towardes his promocion, and in the name of his childe's porcion, provided always that if he departe or he come to the age of xx^{ti} yeres, unmaried, and withoute ishue, then that childe's porcion to be divided in iij partes, of which that on parte shalbe unto my wif, an other to my son James, the thirde unto my doughtour, and if aither of them ij die afore my sone Roberte, then that childe's parte to be divided evynly betwixt my wif and that that liveth. Item I will and bequeath c markes for and towardes the mariage of my doughtour, Barbara, and in the name of hir childe's porcion; and if it happen hir to die or that she be maried, then hir porcion to be divided betwixt my wif and them that liveth of my other childer. Item if it so hape that bothe my sones die afore the age of xxj yeres, and unmaried, so that my doughtour prove my heire, than I will that my said doughtour be clerely excluded of al the profittes of hir brethers' partes and hir owne of my bequest, and that she nothing have salf that the which the lawe will gyve hir for hir childe's parte, after the rate of my inventary, and that my wif shall have all the rest of my thre childer porcions by me afore to them bequeathed; of the which partes I will that she gyv xx li. towardes the belding of the chapell of Clif, with a vestyment of iij li. price, or more money. Item of the said childes' partes I will that she shall gyve a sorte of vestymentes, called a sute, with a cope, to the churche of Saunton, for my saull and hirs, to be praid fore. Item I will of the said partes all the evill peces of wayes in the towne of North Clif, frome the north end to the south end, be maid able for al maner of passages, and other cariages, with gravell, sand, and stone, soo substantially as can be devised by my wif and hir councell. Item I bequeath to my brother, Roberte, my chamlett gowne with the furre, my secundary jackett of velvett, my dublett of cremysyn satayne, al my bookes of lawe, with certeyne obligacions concernyng bookes of lawe, and xl s. in money, for his councell and favour towardes my wif in all hir nedfull affairs. Item I will that my wif kepe my too sones at scolles, there where it shal be devised by my said brother and hir, save that I will not that my sone James be as a fellowe in the Innes of Courte, but under the tuicion of my broder or some other by his advise, onels that he will continue the lawe still; and when my heire is of xvijth

yeres, whedder of my too sonnes that it be, than I will that he be put to my cosing, Sir Roberte, if he lyve than, with vj l. xiij s. iiij d. for his fynding to he be of full age; and, like wise, I will that my sone, Roberte, be putto hym, if that my sone James die at undre age; and els I will that he shal continue scoles to he be xviij yeres, and than to be theire where my wif and my brother shall thinke best for his advauncement, to that he be brought to socour and promotion. Item I will that my wif shall kepe house at my maner of North Clif duryng all the nonage of my heire, who so ever it be, for the better enployment of my goodes towardes the profitte of hir self and my childer, and for the performaunce of this my last will; and if so hape that all my thre childer happen to dye or they be of full age and with oute ishue, than I will that all and every bequest in this will specified, be performed to the uttermost opon my landes; and for the better performance of the same, I will that than she shall have other x li. landes assigned of my landys to that all and every dett, payment, and bequest be performed, not rekenyng the x li. that I gave hir in feoffament to be of any parcell of this x li. assigned for the performance of my will. Item I will and makes my welbeloved cosing, Sir Roberte Constable knyght, and my broder, Roberte, supervisours of my testament and last will, with v markes of money to my said cosyng for his favour towardes my wif and childer as my special trust is in hym; and xxvj s. viij d. to my broder over and above his xl s. to hym afore bequeath for his favours towardes the same. The residue of all my goodes, afore not bequeathed, I witt and bequeathe unto my wif, to dispose at hir pleasour, as she shall thynke best, for the well of my salle. Item I make my wif, James my sone, and James Cotes, my servaunte, my executours of this my will. And I will, overmore, that James, my said servaunte, shall have his hole yere wage, over and above his wages due unto hym at the hore of my deith, with xiij s. iiij d. over and above his yerely wages accostomed, so that his fee extend no further but for the tyme of the nonage of my heire. And I will, besides this, that my wif be good and favorable to all my servauntes and tenauntes that went to the warre with me agayn the Scottes. And in wittenes that this my verey will and mynd I have written this present testament with myn owne handes, the day and yere above writtyn. Thies beyng wittenesses at the sealyng of the same, Antony Langdale of Houeton, esquier, my broder, Roberte Constable, Sir Roger Watson preist of Clif, Roberte Burton, James Cotes, the vicar of Saunton, and many other.

FEOFFMENT.—Feoffees, Marmaduke Constable of Everyngham and William Constable of Hatefeld, knyghtes, Antony Langdale, Nicholas Rudstone, and Roberte Lacy, esquiers . . . in my maner of North Clif, & in all the landes in North Clif, Newsome, Sledmer, Kirkby, Helperthorpe, Litle Barghe, Mekill Barghe, Amonderby, Swynton, and Hoveden, with the revercion of the maner of Browghton . . . to the use of myself, for lyve . . . then an astate to the yerely valour of x li. of my maner of Newsome, and other landes in Helperthorpe, Litle Barghe, and Mekill Barghe, to Elisabeth, my wif, for terme of hir lif . . . in the rest, for the performance of my will and the use of my lawfull heires.

[Pr. ult. Feb. 1525-6.]

CXL. THE WILL OF DAME JOAN THURESCROSSE OF HULL.

[Reg. Test. ix. 272 *a*.]

Sept. 17, 1523. Dame Johanne Thurescrosse,* vowes, in Kyngeston oppon Hull. To be beriede in the churche of our Lady, in the north yle, as nere my last husband as I may. I gif for my corspresand my best scarlett gowne furride with greye. Towarde the byeng of a vestiment with the diacon and subdiacon, for our Lady church, xxx li. To the three gildes in our Lady church, that is to saye, to Jhesus gilde, to Saynte James gilde, to Sancte Eleny's gilde, iij s iiij d. each. . . . To the churche warke of our Lady xl s. To the beildyng of the steple of the Trinitie church xl s. I will that an honeste preist shall syng for my saull and my iij husbandes, and for the saulles of my fader and my moder, and my sone Robert, w^t^ all the saules that I am specially bounde to praye fore, and for al Cristen saulles. Also I will that my executours shall see that the saide preist be honeste, and that he be able to mayntene the service of God, and specialy on the halidays, and on the wirkyng dayes to dispose hyme as he may to be at the *Salve* of our Blisside Lady; also the saide preiste the haly dayes shall dispose hyme self to say his Messe before Mateyns begynne. And if it shall fortune hyme to be behynde with his servyce, that he cane not say his Messe before Mateyns begynne, then he to tarry till Mateyns be downe: And, on the werkyng daye, to dispose hym self at any hore conveniente. This prest shall syng for my saull and my frendes' saulles in Sancte Anne chapell within the churche of our Lady aforesade, by the space

* See p. 117. She is styled Vidua Velata, *i.e.* she had taken the vow of widowhood.

of sevyn yeres, he to have yere for his stipende v li. To Sancte James church in Grymesby xl s. To the house of Nonnes in Grymesby xl s., and thei to entre my name into their Mortilage booke, & so to pray for my saull, and al Christen saulles. To every house of Freres in Grymesby x s., to pray for my saull, & other of them to say a trentall of Messes for me. Towarde the beildyng of the churche of White Freres in Hull, iiij li., and to the Augustyne Freres xx s. to by a vestyment with all. To Sancte Giles church in Merflete x s. To every on of Maister Baron's childer xl s. To my kynsman, William Lincoln the yonger, iij li. vj s. viij d. To Jane Manby my violett gowne furrid with graye; & to hir sister a pare of corall beades of fyfty gawdys of sylver. . . . To Dame Agnes Austyn, noon of Sixhill, xx s. To my god doughtour, Dame Johane Gatton in the same place, xx s. To my gode doughtour, Kateryne Smyth, xl s., and a paire of corall beades, and a silver harnest girdill giltide. To my commoder Smyth my musterdevilys gowne furride with shankkes, and a golde ryng, to the behove of hir doughtour Kateryne; and if it shall fortune the said Katerine to dye or she be maryede, then I wil that hir parte be solde, and the money therof delyveride unto the churche-maisters of our Lady church in Hull, and they to by ther withall a white vestymente. To William Lincoln wif, the yonger, my best blake gowne reversed with velvett. To my commoder Vergoos my velvett fruntelett cloath & a golde ryng. To William Goodknap wif a scarlett kirtill; & to John of Lownde's wif a russet gowne furride with shankkes, & to hir sister Kateryn a sangwyne kirtill. To Henry Thuriscrosse a pece and a macer. To the menddyng of the hye waye betwix Beverlay yates & Anlaby xx li. To my godsone, Thomas Dalton, x s. To my broder's doughtour, Margarete Lincoln, dwelling in Hornecastell, iij li. vj s. viij d. To every of William's childer, dwellyng in Shatow, iij s. iiij d., and to every of them as moche clothe as shall make them a manerly garmente. To William Vicars, the sone of Roberte Vicars, xx li. and iij macers & a notte, a standding pece with a cover parcell gilte, a flate pece with a cover parcell gilte, a sylver salte with a cover parcell gilte, xij silver sponys with the Apostils on the stalkys of them, ij golde rynges, a coveryng of ares havyng the picture of our Lady ridyng into Egipte wroughte on it. If the said William dye, I will that my executours, with the xx li., by ij sylver candilstikes for the hye altar of our Lady church; and, with the forsaide plate, they shall cause to be made a goodly chales, and that remayne to our Lady church *imperpetuum*; & the residue of his goodes to be solde and put in to the use of our Lady

church. To my godson, Thomas Langton, to helpe hym towarde his scole, xx s. To nunnys of Sancte Leonarde's in Grymesby xx s. a yere, till xij li. be pade, towarde the fyndyng of a preist, and they to kepe for me a solempne Obite the for forsade (*sic*) xij yeres, and, afterwarde, to pray for me as a sister of ther place. . . . To the Trinitie Massendew at Beverlay gattes a matres, a coverlett, a paire of blankettes, a paire of hardyn sheittes. I will that at my daye of my beryeng, and at the vijth day, and at my twolmonthe daye, ther be dalte for my saull, & al Cristen saulles, penny dole to the poore people, and every prest and clerke to have iiij d., & every Ordre of Freres vj s. viij d. Also to have wax & other thinges as shalbe moost semely, with xiijth beademen; and every on of them to have a white gowne; and xiij poore women, clothe to make every of them a white kirtell. Also I will that my executours shall cause a bawdkyn or a pell of blake velvett to be maide to covere the herse with all in our Lady church, and theroppon I will have an ymage of the Blissid Trinitie wrought with golde, and a ded man lyeng before Hym in a wyndding shete; and at the sides I will have iiij anggels wrought with golde and nedill warke, with candilstikkes in ther handes, as thought they gave reverence to the Trinitie; and my name writtyn under the fette of the dede man, for a memoryal. I gif also to the church a coverlett & iiij whissyns, & thei to be occupiede at the marieng and at the churchyng, as wel of the porest man or woman as at the richest. I gif to the church a towell of xij yerdes long. . . . To the howse of Sixhell a silver salte with a cover, and a good macer, to have my name writtyn on ther Mortilage booke, & to be praide fore as a sister of ther place. To Cristall abbey a white standdyng pece of silver parcell gilt with a rownde knope. To Gregge's Massendew xx s. To Elinor Studeley my sanguyne gowne reversid velvitt, & vj silver spones. To Hugh Halles' wif a flate pece of silver, a harnes girdill, & a paire of corall beades with gawdes of silver. To the Charterhowse a standing pece of silver. To my gossope, Thomas Smyth, a plege of xx li. The residue to Thomas Smyth, & Roberte Vergoos, whom I make my executours.

[Pr. 22 Jan. 1523–4, adm. to ex^{rs}.]

CXLI. THE WILL OF SIR JOHN EVERINGHAM OF BIRKIN, KNT.

[Reg. Test. ix. 417.]

Oct. 14, 1523. Sir John Everyngham,* of Birkyn, knyght. My bodie to be beried where it shall please oure Lorde God. For my mortuary, my best beast, after the costome. To the parsone of Birkyn, for my forgettyn tithes, or necligently witholdyng, xiij s. iiij d. To the hie altar of the same churche iij s. iiij d. To the iiij Orders of Freres within the citie of Yorke, and everych on of them, x s., to do on trentall *Messes* and *Dirige* for my sall and my frendes' salles. To the same iiij Orders, every Order, a quarter of wheate, or the price therof, to do and make on especiall obite for my sall and all Cristen salles this on yere. To the Freres of Tikhill, to do on trentall of *Messes* and *Dirige* for my sall and my frendes' salles, x s. To the Freres of Pontefracte vj s. viii d., to praye for my sall. I will that Henry Everyngham, my sone and heire, have my best yrne bounde wayne and viijth of my best oxon, and my silver salt, my gilt pece, my gilt girdle with roobuke-heddes, and xijth of my best silver spones of the heirelomes whiche my fader left me. Item I will that the said Henry have for heirelomes my grete stepefatte, my best bruyeng leede, iiij worte leedes, on maskefatte, on worte trough, ij gilefattes, on greate copar cawdrone, on grete potte called a standard, to be had and remayne for heirelomes to hyme and to the heires of his bodie lawfully begottyn for ever; and if it forton the said Henry to die withoute heires of his bodie lawfully begottyn (as God defend) than I will that the said stuf be seld and distributed to the monasteries of Selby and Pontefracte by evyn porcions; and that the said monasteries, and aither of them, yerely for the same to do and make on especiall *Dirige* and *Messe* for my salle and my frendes' salles for evermore; and to yeve warnyng to the heires of

* The head of a well-known and ancient Yorkshire house. The will of the testator's father is in Test. Ebor. iv. 171.

29 Oct. 1371. Comm. to John de Monceaux, Nic. de Everingham, & Thos. de Carethorp to give adm. to the effects of Sir Edmund de Everingham knt., who died intestate. (Reg. Thoresby.)

13 Nov. 1434. Comm. of adm. to Sir John E. of Birkin knt. to Wm E. his son & heir & Richard E., rector of Birkin, another son. (Reg. Test. iii. 399.)

Die Dom. in crast. S. Nic. 1438. Ric. Everingham, rector eccl. de Birkin. Sep. in eccl. de B. Eccl. de B. librum voc. Regimen Animarum et j Psalterium. Wm Couper cap. j librum voc. Gospeler, & Thomæ Baghill cap. j. librum voc. Parisiens'. Ad j fenestram de novo ornandam cum vitro ex parte australi chori xiij s. iiij d. Res. to Wm E. & Rich^{d} his son—they ex^{rs}. [Pr. 16 Jan.] (Reg. Test. iii. 559.)

Birkyn yerely whan and what daye the said *Dirige* and *Messe* shalbe done. I will that Sir Roberte Aske knyght, Thomas Wyntworth of Elmesall, and other feoffes in my landes suffre my executours . . . to take yerely . . . xl li. for the performacion of this my last will; and they to be & stand feoffes for the performance of this my last will; and also for the performance and covenauntes of mariage betwixt Sir William Scargill and me, & Thomas Lyndley, esquyer, and me. The residue to be equaly divided in iij partes, on parte to my executours to be dispose for my sall; an other parte to my wif; and the thirde parte to my sone, Henry Everyngham. I will that every yoman, that is my servaunte and in my clothing, have vj s. viij d. besides his wages; and every hynd servaunte, takyng wages, iiij s. besides his wages; and every boe in my house ij s.; and every woman servaunte in my house iij s. Item I will that Sir Henry, my prest, or any other prest at that tyme beyng in my service at the tyme of my deith, have xiij s. iiij d., besides his wages. Item I will that on preist at the disposicion of my executours to syng in Birkyn churche for my sall by the space of vij yeres next imediatly after my decesse, vij marc for his yerely stipende. To John Watkynson an oxe, and to Jane his wife a cowe; and to every on of the said John and Jane is childer on stott able to drawe. I witto the parson of Birkyn, Sir Ric' Huchonson, iij li. for a reward. The residue . . . to Henry Everyngham my son, and to Sir Ric' Huchonson, parson of Birkyn, whome I orden and makes my executours.

[Pr. 22 Oct. 1528, adm. to ex^rs.]

CXLII. THE WILL OF WILLIAM RUSSELL OF EAST RETFORD.

[Reg. Test. ix. 287.]

March 4, 1523–4. Wm. Rosell of Est Retford. A pounde wax to the crosse candle in the church. To the pavyng of the church x s. I wil that my ex^rs cause a wynddoo* of thre lightes to be placed in the north ile; and to lay oppon my body & Alicie my wif a conveniente thrughe of stone; and the olde throghe to be taken away, or, els, to plaster and borde the iiij wynddous in the steple. An annuall obite of iij s. iiij d. to be downe in the church of Est Retford at the fest of Mary Magdalene.

*8 Aug. 1520. Henry Aikryng of East Retford. To the kirke warke, to make ij wyndows in the northe yle, if the towne make the cost to beilde it new, xl s., & more if it nede, bot to no other use els.

CXLIII. THE WILL OF ROBERT NEVELL OF WAKEFIELD.

[Reg. Test. ix. 290 *b*.]

May 15, 1524. Roberte Nevell,* yoman of crone to the Kynge's grace. To be beriede within the church of Alhallouse at Wakefeld in our Lady where, afore our Lady; and my secunde whike best, to be my mortuary, to the vicar of Wakefeld, curate of my saull; and my best whike beast to the deyne of kynge's chapell, after use and costome of the kynge's courte. To John Nevell, my sonne, my dublett of clothe of gold. I bequeath my chamlett jackett, to make a vestymente to Sancte George altar; and it will make ij, an other to Sancte Swithune's chapell. To Sir Thomas Cokeson, to pray for me, vj s. viij d. To Robert Graystoke my whit frese cote. To every beade woman in Godeswalles at Wakefeld, every persone iiij d. I bequeath at my beriall, that there be made cost for helth of my saull for Dirige & other things that is necessary, vj l. xiij s. iiij d. My wif and childer. Ex^rs^ Thomas Sotehill Esquier, Isabell my wif, Robert Wilson of Newgate, & John Nevell my sonne; & Sir Robert Nevile, overseer. I hertely desire Sir John Nevell, my broder, that he wold do so moch for me as to lett my executours to have my farmehold, the Olde Parke of Wakefeld, to occupye it to the Annunciation of our Lady next ensuying, to the intente to paye my dettes with all, and I shall pray for hyme.

[Pr. 2 June, 1524, adm. to ex^rs^.]

CXLIV. THE WILL OF JAMES MARLEY OF WILTON.

[Reg. Test. ix. 288.]

In the name of God, Amen, the xxij^th^ daye of Maye, in the yere of our Lorde God m^l^ d. xxiiij^tl^, I, James Marley,† of wharte-full mynde and full remembrance, confirmes my testamente of this maner. In primis I wit my saull to God, and my bonys to beriede within the sanctuary grownde of the kirke of Sainte Cuthberte in Norham. Item I witto my eldest sone an oxgang

* A younger son of Sir John Neville of Liversedge (Test. Ebor. iv. 198), and a brother of Sir John N. of Chevet near Wakefield.

† A native of Wilton in Cleveland who had gone with his master, Sir William Bulmer, to do military service at Norham on the Tweed, and there he seems to have died. The Bulmers held office at this time in Norham under the Bishop of Durham.

of land callid Bakus oxgang, the wynter and ware. Item I witto me doughtour half an oxgang of lande, the wynter and ware, with xth yowes and ther lames. Item to the mother of the sayde child xl s. Item to an other doughtour with my broder, Sir Richarde knowys where is, xl s. Item to Roberte, my broder, my gere that belongith to my body. Item to ychon of my broder childer ij yowes and ij lames. Item to my broder, Sir Ric' Marley, an oxgang of whete, to be supervisour of this my testament. Item to Sir Karolus Lowson v s. Item to Sir Cristofer Jacson vj s. Item to every house of the iiij Orders of Freres a bushell of wheite. Item to the hye altar of Wilton half a quarter of wheite. Item to ij serges which I fynde in Wilton kirke ij poundes wax. Item I gif to Hewe Fetherston wif vj s. viij d., the which she aughte to me. Item to my wif moder half a quarter of wheite, and half a quarter malt. Item to William Yong xl s. Item to Roberte Haythyn ij bushelles of wheite and ij bushelles of malte. The residue of my goodes, unlegated from my will, and dettes be payde, I gif to my wif, whome I make my executrice. Thes witnesses, William Hewerdyne, Umfraye Watson, Richard Keid, Peter Cowper, and Sir Charles Lowson preist.

[Pr. 6 Oct. 1524.]

CXLV. THE WILL OF JOHN JACKSON OF BENTLEY.

[Reg. Test. ix. 335.]

June 14, 1524. Johne Jacson of Bentley, yoman of the crowne. To be beried in the parishe church of Arkesay. To my broder, George Jacson, all his fermeholdes in Steleton duryng my termys, also a close callid Brakynhill, payng nothing therfor bot that he shalbe baile, and overse and gather my wif rentes yerely; & a dublett of bukskyns. I will that John Jacson, late son of my broder Edwarde Jacson, have xl s. yerely, to fynd hym at the scole, duryng xvth yeres. . . To my broder Laurence a gowne of crayne colour furrid with white budge, and a stele bonett, a gesteron covered with bukeskyns. To my broder, Charles Barmby, a jackett of white sattan and grene, my best sallett, a standard, a pare gussettes, and a fold. To my cosyng, Rauf Barmby, a paire of Alman revettes, and a standard of stele. To John Greneside a gowne of London russett furrid with white lame. To Agnes Jacson, my servaunte, a cowe. To Henry Spencer a whie calf and a yong fely, if he wilbe ruled by my wif. To William Levett a salett,

a gestron, which I bought of Nicholes Burton, a bowe of u, and a whyver of prikeshafftes. Agnes my doughtour. To Alicie, my wif, my house I dwell in at brig ende of Doncastre . . . that I have of Sancte Leonarde; & my copy whiche I have takyn of my lorde of Bentley. To the vicar of Arkesay a paire of grete almebre beades. To William Wentworth of Sprodeburgh a bay stag. The residue to my wif, whom I orden and make my sole executrix, to dispose for t'helthe of my saull as it shall please hir. And also I make Maister Strey supervisour of this my testament, and to have for his labour xxvj s. viij d., and to be good maister and frend to my wif, if nede require, at hir costes and charge.

[Pr. 26 Feb. 1525–6.]

CXLVI. THE WILL OF MR. THOMAS FORNE, SUB-TREASURER OF YORK MINSTER.

[Reg. Dec. et Capit. ii. 167.]

In Dei nomine, Amen, the xiijth day of the month of July, 1524, I, Thomas Forne, subthesaurar of the church of York, of good mynde and memorie, ordyneith and makith my testament and last will in maner and forme folowing. Furst I bequeith my saull to Almyghty God, to our Ladie Sanct Marie, and to all the holy company of heven, and my body to be buried in the south yle of the metropolitan church of York anenst th'alter callid Saynt Agatha alter. Item I bequeith to Sanct (Peter) warkes, for my buriall ther, x s. Item I bequeith to the reed arke xx s. Item I bequeith xx s. to be putt in to Sanct Peter stokke. Item I bequeith to Sanct William's hede xx s. Item I bequeith to the iiij Orders of Freres in York iiij li., that is to say to every Order xx s. Item to every masyndew house in Yorke iij s. iiij d. Item to every spittill house in Yorke iij s. iiij d. Item I bequeith to every one of the brether of Sanct William's college in York viij d., and to the provest xij d. Item I bequeith to hym that is *executor officii* at myne obbet day x s. Item I bequeith to every chanon, being present at my buriall, iiij s. Item to every parson ij s. Item to every vicar, ij s. Item to every decon xij d. Item to the clerkes of the revestre xij d. a pece. Item to every sextan xij d. a pece. Item to every tribler and chorister viij d. a pece. Item I bequeith v poundes of wax to be burnyd over me at the day of my buriall. Item a dosyn hande torches. Item x pound of wax at myne obbett. Item I will that one throught of marble

stoyne w^t my pathasie be laid opon me. Item I bequeith x li. to be distribute at the day of my buriall in penny dole emonges poore people. Item other x li. to be distribute emonge poore people in lyke maner at the day of my obbett. Item I bequeith to the buyldyng of Belfray church xx li., if it may be gettyn of th'abbot of Sanct Marie's w^t owt Bowthome, which he doith aw unto me, and, if it can nott be gettyn, I bequeith v markis unto the said buylding. Item I bequeith to John King off Rouston in Holdernes and to his wiff xxvj s. viij d.; item I bequeith to Alison, John King wyff's suster, xiij s. iiij d. Item I bequeith to every child of the said John ande Alison iij s. iiij d. a pece. Item I bequeith to the church of Mappleton vj s. viij d. Item to the church of Silston vj s. viij d. Item I bequeith to Mr John Coltman, chamberlayn of the church of York, my best gowne. Item I bequeith to Mr Thomas Water, regestre to the Dean and Chapitour of York, my seconnde gowne. Item I bequeith to Mr John Sheffeld, prebendarie in Sepulcur's chapell, my third gowne. Item I bequeith to Sir Roberte Norham [my] iiij^th gowne with a sarsenett tippett. Item I bequeith to Beatrix Mell one gowne and xxvj s. viij d. in money. Item to Margaret Kirkby, my kynswoman, one gowne and xxvj s. viij d. in mone. Item I bequeith to a preist, to syng for me fyve yere, xxxvj marke. Item I bequeith to Jeffray Franklyn's wyff a gowne of musterdeveles. Item I bequeith to Jeffray Franklyn one salt of silver w^t a kever and half a dosyn silver spones w^t knoppes. Item I bequeith to Thomas Franklyn, my godson, one litill pownnsid pece demye gilt. Item I bequeith to Jeffray wyff an other pece gilt. Item I bequeith to Agnes Franklyn one goblett ungilt. Item I bequeith to every one of my felowes in my lorde's howse, better and warse, iij s. iiij d. Item I bequeith to my servaunte, Gawyne Yodaille, one brasse pott which he will chose emonges thre. Item the gretest kettill. Item a spitt. Item one pair of cobirons. Item one fedderbed w^t a bolster, a pillow, one pair of blankettes, one pair of sheittes, one coveryng, one towell, one overse counter, half a garnyshe pewder vessell, and a goblet of silver which Mr Sheffeld haith in custodie, to th'entent that he shalbe juste and trew to my Lord Dean and myne executours. Item I bequeith xl s. to be distribute emonges the poore people in the paroche of Topcliff. Item xx s. to be distribute to the poore people in the paroch of Wawen. Item to the kirk off Kirkby-opon-Wherff x s. Item I bequeith to my servaunt, Marmaduke, one pott, one kettell, one fedderbed, one bolster, one pair blankettes, one pair sheittes, ij coverlettes, and xx s. in money. Item I bequeith to the son of

William Bakster, my godson, iij s. iiij d. Item I bequeith to the right worshipfull Mr Brian Higden, Dean of the metropolitan church of York, one basing and ure of silver, and my best gelding. Item I bequeith to the ancresse in Yorke iij s. iiij d. Item I bequeith to Jeffray Franklyn's wyff half a garnyshe of pewder vessell. Item I bequeith x li. to be bestowed in mending of high waies where myne executours shall thinke requisite or nedefull. Item I bequeith to Marmaduke Vavasour the dune nagge which he gave unto me. Item I bequeith to Maister Chamberlane servauntes, to M. Sheffeld servaunt, and to Maister Water servauntes, and to every one of theym, ij s. Item I bequeith v li. to be distribute emonges poore scolars where as myne executours thinketh nedfull. Item I bequeith to the vicar of Kirkby opon Wharff x s. Item I bequeith to Sir Rauff Norham my short gowne and x s. off money, to say a trentall of Masse3. Item I bequeith to my good son, Thomas Casseley, iij s. iiij d. Item I bequeith to Jeffray Franklyn's wyff ij pair of currall beedes. Item to Sir Thomas Fox a pair of almer beedes of x, and a fyne napkyn. Item I bequeith to Mr John Coltman myne amysse. Item I bequeith to Sir William Bait my surples. Item I bequeith to Sir Thomas Bait my blake abbett. Item to Sir Thomas Lorymer a bonett. Item I bequeith to Jeffray Franklyn a musterdevelis gowne. Item I bequeith iiij score yerdes of sameron cloith to be distribute to poore childer. Item I bequeith to John Gud x s., besydes his devident emonges his felowis. Item I bequeith to the vicar of Poklington my gowne y^t^ lyeith at Thorneton, and one snod off damaske. Of this my testament and last will I constitute, ordan, and make M. John Coltman chamberlayn of the church of Yorke, M. John Sheffeld, and Maister Thomas Water executors, they to dispose the rest of my guddes, unbequest, for the well of my saull; and I gyve unto every one of theym xl s. for their labores. And I doo constitute and maik M. Brian Higden, Dean of York, the supervisour of this my testament. Hiis testibus, Sir Christofer Cattall the vicar of Kirkby opon Wherf, Sir Rauff Norham, Sir Robert Norham, John Good, and Marmaduke Vavasour, w^t^ other.

[Pr. 12 Nov. 1533.]

CXLVII. THE WILL OF RICHARD TEE OF BOLLOME.

[Reg. Test. ix. 306.]

August 14, 1524. Richarde Tee off Bollome in the parishe of Clareburgh. To be beriede in the church of Sancte John

Baptest of Clareburgh. To the gilde of Sancte John Baptiste in Clareburgh a quarter barlye and a bushell of whete. To the Rowde light, oure Lady light, and the Plough light in Clareburgh, to every on of them di. a quarter barlye. To the manteynyng of the light of Sancte Kateryne a pound wax, or els xij d. To Sancte Roche and Sebastian a pounde wax, or els xij d. To the gilde of Corpus Cristi in Est Retford di. a quarter barlie. To oure Lady and the Rowde gilde, and to the reparacions of the brig there, to every one of them, xij d. To the reparacion of Haygate lane with the brigges there, a quarter barlie. I will that the toftstede lyeng [at] Lownd, called Barber thing, with iij acres land, and the medowe in the common rich to the saide toftstede belongyng, go to Clareburgh church for an hundrethe yeres save oon for an annuall obite to be downe in the saide church for evermore, for my saull and John my wif saull, my childer saulles, and al Cristen saulles . . . that is to saye, to the curate viij d.; to the clerke iiij d.; and ij hedmespennes; and for ichon of my frendes' saulles whos names be in the beade rowle an hedmespenny; the overplus to remayne in the handes of the vicar and church maistirs, to the reparacion of the saide churche to it be beldid, & when it is beldyd sufficiently . . to be disposed among poore people. An other toftestede which I have in Lownd, and the land belongyng therto, to go to the chapell of oure Lady in Lownd for an hundreth yeres save oon, to have an annuall obite, to be downe yerely in the church of Sutton for evermore oppon Sancte Bartilmewe evyn the *Dirige*, and oppon morowe the *Messe*, for my saull and John my wiff sall, my childer saulles, and all Cristen saulles, and the vicar . . to have for his labour iiij d., and iiij d. to be giffyn to the childer doyng service at the saide *Dirige* & *Messe*, & xij d. to be delte in brede and ale to poore people; the residue to go to the fyndyng of oure Lady preist by the vice of my executours.

[Pr. 31 Jan. 1524–5.]

CXLVIII. THE WILL OF THOMAS WILLOUGHBY OF NOTTINGHAM.

[Reg. Test. ix. 310 *b*.]

Sept. 4, 1524. Thomas Willoughby of Notingham. To be beried in the church of Sancte Marie's in Notingham byfore oure Ladye's chapell nyghe unto my owne seate. . . . I bequeath xxviij li. for a preist to syng for my saull in Sancte Marie's church by the space of sex yeres. I gif iij li. to my

suster's childer beyng of lif. To my sistur, Margarete Bankys, every yere, a germent of the price iij s. iiij d., as nede requireth, & a paire of shoys, a smoke, and a carchowe of viij d. price, & every quarter in the yere ij d., & a rowme in my beade house like as other of my beade folkes have. To Isabell, my wif, my landes & tenementes in Notingham, Wodborowe & Radclif, duryng hir lif, if she lif sole . . . to remayne to my ij sonys Ric. and Thomas . . . my too doughtours Eliz. & Margarete. A close in Fishergate & ij gardyns in Moltokgate to my bead house oppon Malyn hill. To my children xx l. each, when xxi. To Johne Beckett, my doughtour, vij marc. To Hethbeth brigges iiij of my best peces of tymbour lyeng at the tile howsses. I forgif the Trinitie gilde vj s. viij d. of xiij s. iiij d. that the saide gilde owith me for palyng of the gardyn in Cow lane. Res. Elisabeth [*sic*] my wif . . . she ex.

[Pr. 11 May, 1525, adm. to ex^x.]

CXLIX. THE WILL OF RICHARDE GIRTON OF WILLOUGHBY ON THE WOLD, HUSBANDMAN.

[Reg. Test. ix. 318.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. The xv^th day of Maii, the yere of oure Lorde God M^l dxxiiij^th, I, Richarde Girton of Willoughby on the Wolde, husbandman, beyng in good mynde, make my will and testamente in this maner and forme folowyng. First I will and gif my saull to Almyghtie Jhesu, to His moder Sancte Marie, and to al the holye company in hevyn; and my body to be beried in the body of the church of Alhallouse in Willoughby. Also I gif my best good to my mortuary as the lawe requireth. Also I will ther be burnyd aboute me the daye of my beriall ij li. and a half of wax. Also I will and gif to every man and woman and childe of the contrie a farddyng loof. Also I gif to every preist beyng at my beriall iiij d., and to every clerke that can syng, a penny. Also I gif to the church of Wynsold a boshell of malte. Also I gif to the church of Dalby a boshell of malte. Also I gif to the makyng of the brig callid Willowford brig iij s. iiij d. Also I gif to the light called Sepulcre light a yowe and a lame, in Willoughby church. Also I will that Hery my sone have after the deathe of my wif his ploo with al maner of stuff that belonges to it to his owne behove. Also I gif to the saide Henry the hovell treis as thei stand after hir deith. Also I gif ij yowes and ij lames to fynde a light for ever afore oure Lady, of the stoke that commys of

the said shepe, afore oure Ladye in the greves in Willoughby churche. Also I will that the grettist panne I have remayne to Elisabeth Girton, my doughtour, after the deith of my wif, and the almary to, and a coffer, and a mydlyng brasse potte. Also I gif a branddid [*blank*] of ij yeres olde to Roberte my son. The residue of my goodes, not giffyn, my dettes and will performyd, I will that they be at the disposition of Agnes Garton, my wif, and Henry Garton, my son, whome I make my executours, and that they dispose as maye be best thought to the pleasour of God and t'health of my saull and al Cristen saulles. Also I desire my broder, William Girton, and Roberton Girton to be supervisours, to se that my good be ordered accordyng to my will, and they for ther besynes to have ther costes borne over the hole: berying wittenes yerof Johne Thomson, vicar, and my curate, John Rawlynson, with other.

[Pr. 11 May, 1525.]

CL. THE WILL OF GEOFFREY PROCTER OF BORDLEY.

[Reg. Test. ix. 329.]

In the name of God, Amen. At Nether Bordley in Craven, the tend daye of Juny, in the xvjth yere of the reigne of our soveryng lorde Kyng Henry the eight [1524], I Geoffray Proctour,* beyng in good and hoole mynde, make my testa-

* The shrewd and sensible will of a Craven yeoman, the chief person in a clan which bore his name. The Proctors were closely connected with Fountains Abbey, and by thrift and energy accumulated considerable wealth.

Wm. Proktour de Eboraco. Sep. in choro B. M. infra eccl. S. Mich. de Belfray juxta sep. Agnetis Wherf. Roberto Wherf, filio Magistri Thomæ Wherf, ad exhibicionem suam ad scolam, v marcas. Matri meæ x marcas. Thomæ Procktour omnia terras & ten. mea in Bolland. Presb. cel. ij annos in eccl. S. Andr. de Gargrave xiij marcas. Two daughters of Roger P. Sister Isabel Ratcliff, towards her marriage, 6 marks. [Pr. 1498.] (Reg. Test. v. 483).

22 May, 1507. Tho. Proctour. Sep. in eccl. S. Andr. de Gargrave. Volo quod Stephanus filius habeat officium meum, si poterit illud adveniri et requæriri ex Abbate de Fournace. Volo quod Eden, uxor mea, et Stephanus, filius meus, habeant firmarium meum de Frerehed, etc. They ex^{rs}. My children. John Hamerton and John Horton Esqr ex^{rs}. [Pr. 8 July, 1507.] (Reg. Test. v. 232).

Die Paschevæ, 1512. Radulphus Prokter. Sep. in eccl. S. Andr. de Gargrave ex australi parte prope sepulcrum patris mei. Dom. Joh. Acastre vicarium de Gargrave & Rogerum Prokter, avum meum, facio exec. Mr. John Norton jun. Esq. superv. (Reg. Test. viii. 93.)

24 March, 1516–17 Roger Proctour, of Coppercott. To be bur. within my paroche churche off Saynt Andrew of Gargrave, in the southe ylle, wher I was wont to knell and sytt. To every householde within Eshton and [*blank*] iiij d., or elles a bull at the chose of the said townshyppes, in dischargyng of my conscience for such hurtes and harmes as I have necligently done to theym. To Thomas, my son, my fermolde of Coppercotte, and to Robert, my sone, my fermold of Newfelde. To Isabell & Mabell, my doughters, each vj li. xiij s. iiij d. to be att the rewll and guydyng off Stephen Proctour of Frerhede. To Mr

ment and last will in maner and forme folowyng. First I bequeath my saull to Almyghtie God, and to oure Lady Sancte Mary, and to all the Sanctes in hevyn, and my body to be beried in the next parishe churche where it shall fortone me to departe oute of this present lif; provided alwaye that if it fortone me to decesse within xx milys of my parishe churche of Rilstone in Craven, than I wilbe beried there with my wif; and my best beast to be delyvered there in the name of my mortuary. Item I will that my feoffes that I have enfeoffed in my landes, incontynente aftir my decesse, make a sure, sufficiente, and lawfull astate in the lawe to such other feoffes as they shall thynke good, by th'advice of my sone Richarde Proctour, my cousynges Miles Staveley, and John Staveley, his sone, of all my landes and tenementes in Litton, Owlcoottes, Hawkeswike, and Scothorpe in Craven, in the countie of Yorke, to the clere yerely valour of iiij li., over and above al charges, to th'use and entent to have a preist to say Masse and other divine service in the churche of Rilston in Craven aforesaid for evermore; and the said preist to praye for the saulles of me, my wif Kateryne, my fader and my moder, my said wif fader and moder, my son Henry, my son Roberte, my son William, my sister Alicie West, my doughtour in lawe Isabell Proctour, and for all Cristen saulles, and for all the saulles of them that I and my said wif have had any goodes of: the saide preist, for the tyme being, daylie to say Messe in the saide church of Rilston aforsaide, if he thereto be disposed, and to dispose hym self therto as far forth as he maye: that is to say; every Sondaye, Messe of the Trinite; of Monday, of *Requiem*, and, that day, after the Gospell, afore he goo to the lavatory, to praye for the saulles afore reherced, mevyng every man to say a *Pater Noster* and a *Ave*, and hym self *De Profundis*; every Tuysday, Messe, wherof he will; every Weddynsday, *De Vulneribus Christi*; every Thuresday, wherof he will; every Fridaye, Messe of Jhesu; every Satturday, of oure Lady, excepte therbe a doble feste that must nedes be served, than that daye he to be excusid saying a memory of the same that he shulde have saide Messe of: and, daylie, vij Psalmes and Latany with Suffragies; every Monday, Weddynsday, and Friday *Placebo* and *Dirige* with the Commendacion of All Saules; every Tuysdaye,

John Norton, for that he was good Mr to me in my lyff tyme, and for that he shalbe favourable to my childerne, a yonge horse. To Mr Roger Tempest, for to be good Mr to my ij sonnes as his poore kynesmen, xs. Towarde the makyng of the northe ylle in Gargrave churche xx s. To a prest, to syng fore my soull at Wynterburne chappell, xiij s. iiij d. My son Thos. and Stephen Proctour, ex^{rs}. Sir Henry Clyfford Knyght, supervisour. [Pr. 22 Mar. 1515-16, adm. to ex^{rs}.] (Reg. Test. ix. 29.)

Thursdaye, and Satturday oure Lady Psalter according to an ordinaunce tripertited therof to be maide: and at the saide feoffes enfeoffe other sex, or eight, or moo feoffes, in the saide landes, so that the said landes remane and be ever in feoffes handes that the saide preist at Rileston for the tyme beyng may have the renttes and fermes therof for evermore, and to kepe the saide landes ever in the feoffes handes for savegard of the same landes. Item I will that my saide sône Richard, duryng his lif, shall have the nominacion of the preist that shall be at Riliston; and, after his decesse, the same to be at the namyng of Geffray Proctour, the son of Robert Proctour, and his heires for ever. Item I will that my saide son, Richard, durying his lif, shall have the settyng, and to farme lettyng, and the orderyng of all the land that I have assigned to the prest that shalbe at Riliston as my chauntre preist there; and, after hym, the chauntre prest for the tyme being, by th'advice of my feoffes, to have it for ever at his orderyng. Item I will that Eustace and Henry Proctour, sones of William Proctour, have all the rentes and fermes of all my landes, except above queathed and limited, equaly betwixt them to be divided, duryng the lif of the saide Richarde Proctour, my sone, to ther bryngyng upe and fyndyng at the scole, provided alway that the saide Richard Proctour, my sone, shall have the settyng, and to farme lattying, and the orderyng of the saide landes during his lif, to the behove and profitte of the saide Eustace Proctour and Henry, as is afore saide . . . My feoffes . . . to make astate in the lawe to Geffray Proctour, son of Robert Proctour, of all my other landes . . . in Mallome, Kirkby, Calton, and Hawnelethe in Craven . . . I will that my son Roberte childre have my good will of al my right and interest of the fermehold of Dalby, which he and I had of the graunte of th'abbot and Convent of Sancte Mary Abbey in Yorke. I will that my son, Richard, have all my other fermeholdes at Bordley, or elswhere within the countie of Yorke, with the fermyng of the benefice of Arneclif, durying his lif, soo that his wif have non of them after hym: and if my said sone Richard forton to decesse afor his wif, havyng no sone then of lif gotten with the saide wif, nor with non other wif, than I will that in any wise after his decesse Eustace Proctor and Henry Proctour, childer to my saide sone William, shall have all my farmeholdes at Bordley or els where, with the fermyng of the parsonage of Arneclif, to them, after the costome of the contree there, as far as in me is for ever. Farthermore, if it happyn the said Richard to decesse havyng non childer of his body begottyn, on lif, able to occupie the saide farmeholdes, than I will in no wise that his wif occupie tham, bott oon of my sone

William childer, whiche as shalbe thought most able by th'advice of my executours and surviours. I will that the said Eustace and Henry have my best salte, with a cover of silver parcell gilte, xij silver spones, a goblett of silver with a cover parcell gilt, and a litle macer withoute a cover, equally to be divided betwixt them. Item I will that my son Richard have six silver spones and the goblett of silver with a cover, and the salte of silver with a cover. Item I will that all myn apparell for my body be divided betwixt Richard, my sone, and Eustace Proctour, equaly. Item I will that Henry Proctor, son of William, have my best houpe of golde, and that Eustace have an other, and that Cuthberte Proctour have an other of golde that haith a septer oppon it. Item I will that my executours paye, or cause to be paide, to every of the iiij Orders of Freres in Yorke xx d. within oon yere after my decesse. Item I will that Geffray Proctour, son of Roberte, have my signeth of gold that haith an hynde gravyn in the printe of it. Item I will that my saide executours paye to the Freres of Sancte Roberte's beside Knaresburgh ij s. Item I will that my wif girddils, that ded is, be equaly divided betwixt Barbara Proctour and Dowsabell, hir suster. Item I will that a vestymente with all thinges to it belongyng be bought and delyvered to the altar of Fontance, where oure Lady Messe is dailye song at the ixth altares theire, the saide vestymente to be of the price xxvj s. viij d. Item I will that every monke in Fontance, that kepith divine service theire day and of my nyght, have paide unto every of them within a yere after my decesse ij s., to th'entente that thei all shall pray for the saulles of me, and my wif, and for the saules of my fader and moder, and my childre. Item I will that my son, or his heires, or other of my childer afore namyd that dwellith at Bordley in tyme commyng, have the challes, Messe buke, and al the vestymentes, and other ornamentis belongyng to the chapell of Bordley; and that thei shall, duryng theire lives, gif mete, drynke, and logying to a preist, continually mynystryng Divine service in the saide chapell; and his wages, that will not be had of the inhabitantes w'in the lordship of Bordley, to be borne at the costes and charges of hym or them that shalbe dwellyng at Bordley aforsade for the tyme beyng, if he or thei be of habilitie and power soo to doo; and the saide preist to saye Messe, according to the ordre above appoyntted for the preist that shalbe at Riliston, and to pray for the saules of fader and moder, my wiffe's fader and moder, and for the saulles of me and my wif, my sones, Sir Henry, Roberte, and William, my suster Alicie West, and my doughtour in law Isabell Proctour, and for the saulles of suche

other as I maide a bill of ther names and delyvered to Sir John Grene the same bill. Item I will that my son Richard have my best fetherbed and oon cowntter poynte of tapstre warke. Item I will that Geffray Proctour, son of Roberte, have the best cowntter poynte next it with on fetherbed. Item I will that the bull stirkis be giffyn, oon of them to the towneshipe of Riliston, an other to Horton, and the other to the inhabitantes of Bordley. Item I will that Henry Proctour, son of the saide William Proctour my sone, have a goblett of silver withoute a cover, and a salte of silver with a cover, and a fetherbed with a cownter poynte. Item I will that my wif have all suche goodes as she had when I maried hir, and if any of it be expente or gone, soo that it may not be had, then she to be recompensed and agreid with at the sight of my executours and surviours. Item I will that my forsade wif have of my goodes sex keye, and vj score wedders, and an annuite of my landes aforsaide to the valour of lxvj s. viij d. by yere duryng hir widdohed, trustyng that she wilbe good moder to the childer that I leve with hir, and soo that she will make no ferther clame to any of my goodes. Item I will that xiij s. iiij d. be gyven to the Priour and Convente of the Freres Augustyns in Yorke. Item I will that my executours have the orderyng of all the childer of my sons, Roberte and William, and to se them orderyd and guyded as well as God will gyve them grace, and to make Alicie, my saide son Roberte doughtour, nune at Arthington, or elswhere, if she will therto assent, or els to helpe to marye hir with parte of hir fader and moder land, as hir moder Will was; and that William and Richard, ther sonys, be fest prentices in London or some other place. Item I will that Geffray Proctour, son of Roberte Proctour, be putto service to my singlar good lorde, my Lorde Percy, at such tyme as it please his lordship to take hym to his service. Item I will that all such good and cattell as I had of the goodes and cattell of my suster, Alicie West,* that er not disposed by me

* 20 June, 1520. I, Alice West, of the parish of Ripon wer sallay [*sic*]. To be beried in Seynt Peter and Seynt Wilfride chirch of Ripon kirke garth. To the makyng of the hie alter vj s. viij d. To Seynt Wilfride warke vj s. viiij d. To Jeffray Proctour childer, to every on of them vj s. viij d. To the Freres of the Toftys xij d. To the [Freres] of Richmunde xij d. I wit Seynt Robert xx d. To Hugh Proctour childer, every on of them vj s. viij d. To Agnes Darnbruke, my sister, vj s. viij d., and to ychon of hir childer vj s. viij d. To Elisabeth Gibson and Elen Francland, my sisters, and to ychon of ther childer vj s. viij d. To Sir Marmaduce Dawson xx s. To Sir John Kepas of Fontaunce vj s. viij d. To every fire hous within Sallay iiij d. a pece. To Thornton chapell ij s. To Sir John Watson, my goostly father, x s. I wit my best belt to Seynt Wilfride shryne. I wit my best bedes to our Lady of Doncastre. I wil that every poore man and woman have a peny at my beriall. Also I will have Dirige and Messe done at Ripon kirke with the vicars and ther mynystres and the

in my lif accordyng to hir Will, that Richard, my son, se it be disposed trulye accordyng to hir saide Will, and that he, as fer in hym is, compell John Daynbrooke in like to doo with such goodes and cattell as he had of my saide suster, accordding to hir Wil, so that in no wise he have it nott, nor any parte therof to his owne propre use contrary to hir Will. And, in like wise, I will that Richard endevour hym to the uttirmost of his power, and to gett the best helpe that he can or may, to compell th'abbott of Fontance to paye and delyver hym xx li. in gold, and the macer and vj silver sponys that my saide suster delyvered to his monke, John Kepas, to kepe, which xx li., macer, and spones the saide John Kepas, monke, delyvered to the saide abbott, that it may be disposed to my saide suster Will. Item I will that the said Richard Proctour compell William Dauson, as the lawe will, to delyver unto hym ij girddils and beades that my saide suster delyvered to the wif of the saide William Dauson to kepe, and he to gif them to oure Lady of Doncastre, and Sancte Wilfride of Ripon as my suster Will was. Item I bequeath to my sone, Richarde Proctour, Eustace and Henry, an horse, ij mares, vj kye or wheis of iij yeres olde, and vj score wedders (each). Furthermore, whereas I was indentied to my saide son, William, whos saulle God pardone, in the sum of xl marc, which I receyved of the isshues and profettes of his landes, I will that my executours shall delyver as moche of my goodes, to the valour of xx marc, to th'use of Dowsabell Proctour, daughtour of my saide son William, if so be that I se not for hir afore my departour frome this presente lif. Moreover if it fortone me, the said Geffray, to departe this presente lif afore Barbara Proctour, doughtour of the saide William, be mariede, I will then that the saide Barbara shall have of my goodes to the clere valour of xl li. to hir mariage at the sight of my executours and surviours, if so be that she wilbe ordered by them in hir mariage, and also if my goodes will extende therto. Item if it happen that Dorothe Proctour, doughtour of the saide William, be not maried nor other wise brought to socour afore my departour this present lif, I will that she shall have of my goodes to the valour of xx li. at the devise of my saide executours, if my goodes will extend

chauntre preistes, and they to have for ther labours xiij s. iiij d. at my twelmonthe day. Also, for my berial, to Maister Bakhous ij s. Also to the chauntres vj s. viij d. For syngyn to the graif ij s. Also to the vicars and ministres, for Masse and Dirige, vj s. viij d. To Agnes Sherp a brasse pott with a tyncler clowte. To Jeffray Proctour, my brother son, a almery. To the hie alter a borde cloth of twill to a alter cloth, and my executours to cause it to be halowyd. Jeffray Proctour and John Darnbruke ex^rs. [Pr. 28 Sept. 1520.] (Reg. Test. ix. 116).

therto. Item I will that all my doughtour Isabell apparell, and all hir beddyng and householde stuf be delyvered to Barbara and Dowsabell, hir doughtours, by discretion of my executours. Item I orden and make surviours of this my presente testamente and last will Maister John Norton of Norton Esquier, Maister Antony Clifford Esquier, Henry Marton, Richarde Banke, John Lamberte, gentilmen, trustyng that thei and every of them will helpe to assiste, aide, and supporte my executours in executing this my testament and last will, and every of them to have of my goodes xx s. over and above all ther costes that thei or any of them shall susteyne in executyng of this my will. Item I will that William Proctour, Richarde and Alicie Proctour, childer of my son Roberte Proctour, have of my goodes towardes theire mariage, bryngyng upe, and helppyng them to service, or other wise, xx li., to be bestowed of and opon them as shalbe thought most expediente by my executours and surviours. The residue of all my goodes not bequeathed I gif and bequeath to my son Richard Proctour, my cousynges Miles Staveley and John Staveley, whome I orden and make my executours [to] pay my dettes with, and to orden and dispose for t'helthe of the saulles of me and my wif, as they shall thynke most conveniente and expediente. In wittenes whereof to this my presente testamente and last will I have sett my seale and subscribed my name, the daye and yere above saide. Thies wittenesses Sir Olyver Judson, Sir Henry Hall, Sir Henry Garford, and Sir John Grene, preistes.

[Pr. 6 July, 1525, adm. to the ex^r^.]

CLI. THE WILL OF WILLIAM GREVE OF PENISTON.

[Reg. Test. ix. 293.]

Oct. 2, 1524. William Greve, of the parishe of Pennyston. To be beriede in the kirke of Sancte John Baptiste of Pennyston in oure Laydye where. To the Lady service of Pennyston a cowe, and to the service of Sancte Erasme a cowe. To a preist, to syng for my saull a yere, iiij li. To Sir Thomas Greve, my sone, a sylver spone. I will that my feoffes make astate of iij s. iiij d. of the landes of Percivall Heliwell to Sir William Benson, for the terme of his lif, excepte he have a service in any place that he may lyve conveniently oon, and the sade Sir William shall every yere cause a mynnyng * to be rongyn, and offre j d. at Messe, and paye the clerke his duytie;

* A good old English word signifying an anniversary peal, in mind or memory of the testator.

and than, after his decesse, to turne to the service of Sancte Erasme, if the parishe will make it a service, or els to turne to our Lady service for ever.

[Pr. 10 Nov. 1524.]

CLII. THE WILL OF WILLIAM BULMER OF BROTTON JUXTA GISBURNE.

[Reg. Test. ix. 299 *b*.]

(Nov. 12, 1524.) I, William Bulmer,* of Skirnnyngham, Esquyer. Where I have enfeoffed by my dede, beryng date the [*blank*] of Kyng Henry the viijth, Edwarde Flechere, and oyer, of & in all my landes, etc., in Scardeburgh and Brotton . . . they to suffir Elisabeth, my wif, for xvth yeres next aftir my deith, to take the rentes, etc., to such use and behove as I have charged my saide wif with of hir consciencie betwixt hir and me . . . then the saide landes, etc., to the use of William, my sone, after the saide xvth yeres passith, & to th'use of the heire malles of his body. To Huton church, for tithes forgettyn, ij s. To the mon' of Gisburn vj s. viij d. To the Freres Observauntes of Newcastell oon wharte whete and a cow. To William Light, ij s. And, forther, I will that my wife do dele every Friday in the yere, for oon yere enter, for helth of my saull, and all Cristen saulles, in the honour of the Trinitie, iij d. And, forther, I will that James, my lorde Prior of Gisburne, shall have the custody of such goodes as shal belong unto my doughtours, Elinour and Anne, as in right of ther childe partes, to such tyme as by the frendes of the said doughtours be provided convenient mariages or other succour for them for terme of theire lifes. And I forther will that my wif have the ruyle and custody of my sone William and my doughtour Margarete, and such partes as unto them shal belong, and afforme aftir my deith as in right of ther childe parties, provided that if my wif take a husband any persone aftir my dethe, that than afore such marage solemnysed, that if the husband that then shalbe will have the custody of my saide childer parties, he to fynde sufficiente surties for the delyvere of the saide goodes or partes to my saide childer at such tyme as by the frendes of my saide childer shalbe thought good. And, also, I will that my doughtour Jayne have delyvered to hir

* The testator had married the widow of . . . Esh of Skirningham near Darlington. That estate, after the death of Anthony Esh, who is mentioned in the will, went to the Nortons, one of whom married his daughter and heiress.

The Bulmers were a great house, about which we should like to know more. The testator, with the head of the family, had been in the Scottish wars.

fyve poundes which her grandefader did gif hir, and in my custody beyng. I will that non childe of myne have any childe's parte of my goodes saving thies childer here in my will namyd, excepte oon sum of x li. to th'use of my son George, that is to say my sone William, Oliver Ashe my wif son, Jayne Ashe doughtour to my wif, Elinour Bulmer, Anne Bulmer, Margarete Bulmer: thies be the childer that I will have their childe partes of my goodes and non childer els. And I will that Edwarde Fletcher, my servaunte, for diligent service and paynes susteynyd with me, shall have xx s. And my servaunte, Stephen Cole, xiij s. iiij d. and also to Margarete Witton, for paynes susteyned with me, ij kye. And to Sir Thomas Franke clerke ij stottes. And, forther, I will that my lorde, the saide Prior of Gisburne, be supervisour of my will, and that my wif Elisabeth, my sone George, my doughtour Margarete, and my son William to be my executors and have full power in administracion of my goodes, and that althinges downe by them to be good soo that thay alwais doo and be orderid by th'advice of my saide lorde Prior of Gisburn, the supervisour of this my testament; and for his paynes theryn susteynyd, I will the saide Prior fyve marc, and, also, my gray stoned horse. Also I will my wif enyoye to hir owne use my nest of my goblettes, withoute contradiccion of any persone, as that he shall have of my gift and legacy, which nest be parcell gilte. Also I commaunde and charge my executours to do as muche as in them is for the recovery of such dettes as be due unto me, and to declare to my saide executours such dettes as be due by me to any persone. Althinges accompted, I owe to Sir Rauf Salvan knyght, for suche goodes as I did by of hym and delyveryd by the handes of my lady his wif, xxj li. vj s. viij d. Item I owe to the church of Hawghton xj li., and to oure Lady gilde c s.; and certen rekynnynges for my childer bordes where they were at borde and scole; and for oon gowne cloith, velvett and lynyd, to my doughtour Kateren. And, forther, I will my executors pay to Antony Asshe, my sone, duryng his un age, for the revenoose and profittes of his landes commyng, x li. . . . they to delyver to him my damaske gowne, as that he shall have of my gift and legacy; and in ratifyeng and prevyng of my gift maide to hym at my last gowyng towardes the Scottes. And I will that Sir William Bulmer th'elder, knyght, have oon of my best horses, and to chese hym among al my horses. Also I will and commande my executours, that duryng such terme of yeres as I have of and for my tenemente of Brotton, to me lattyn by William the laite lord Conyers, my saide tenemente beyng kepte in severalte, & enclosid as that nowe they ar, and so to

be lafte at the ende of my terme, shalbe kepte in tillage, all and every parte of the same beyng in tillage duryng any of my yeres by me occupiede. Also I will that George Bulmer, my sone, duryng my terme I have of my saide late lorde shall have my saide tenemente of Brotton, with all th'appurtenaunces to the same belongyng, duryng such terme and yeres as I have of the saide late lorde; and, to prove this to be my last will and testament, I gif full auctoryte to the saide persones above namyd to prove and ratifye this to be my will. Wittenesses Roberte Shirewood, stuarder of Wilton, Cristofer Conyers of Lincolnshyre gentilman, Johne Hudson yoman, Edwarde Fletcher yoman, Stevyn Cole yoman, and many moo; at Gisburne the xijth daye of Novembre, the xvjth yere of oure soveryng lorde Kyng Henry the viijth.

[Pr. 8 Dec. 1524, adm. to ex^{rs}.]

CLIII. THE WILL OF JOHN MARSHALL OF YORK, MERCHANT.

[Reg. Test. ix. 357.]

December 15, 1524. I, John Marshall,* merchaunte and cityner of Yorke, beyng of hoole mynde, ordenys this my last will and testament in maner and forme here folowyng. First, I bequeath my sall to Almyghtie God, to our Ladye, and to all the Sanctes in hevyn, and my body to be beried afore on ymage of oure Lady of piety which standith in a clossett in our Ladye's churche in Castelgate. Also I will that the day of my beriall be done a trentall of Messes within the saide churche, and an other trentall within the churche of the Graye Freres. Also I will that there be disposed to poore folkes, as hospitales and massendewes within the citie of Yorke, and in the suburbes, and within the parishes of the same citie, where most nede is to be done, iiij li. Also I will that viij serges of a pound a pece be burned aboute my body the daye of my berieng. Item I will that the daye of my beriall be maide on honest dyner to my frendes, at the sight of my executours, withoute pompe. Also I bequeath to the parsone of my parishe churche my best garment for my mortuary, and to the same parsone of the said churche, for forgettyn tithies, x s. Also I bequeath to on honeste preist suche as my executours shall thinke abill to syng for my sall, my wif sall, the sallys that I am bounddon to

* Son of William Marshall of York, merchant, and grandson of John Marshall, alderman, and Joan his wife, daughter of Richard Buckden.

The testator was free of the city in 1516, and was made a chamberlain in 1521, sheriff in 1522-3. The will is a very curious one.

pray for, and al Cristen sallys the space of ij yeres in oure Lady churche in Castelgate, and on other at Sancte Michael churche for oon yere, and I will that ichon of them have vij markes. And I will that ichon of them saye iij tymes in the weike *Placebo* and *Dirige*. Also I bequeath to our Lady churche in Castellgate, to the uppoldding of the churche warkes, xl s. Also I bequeath to the iiij Orders, to ichon of them an nobill; and I will that ichon of the preistes of the Graye Freres say Messe of the v Woundes for me, and have iiij d., and every broder, beyng no preist, ij d., to say *Dirige*. Also I will that the prisoners in the Castell, in the Bishope prisone, for the space of ij yeres, have vj d. in the weike, to be wared in brede every Fridaye. Also I bequeath to the churche of Cawod, to the churche worke, a Messe booke and a chales. Also I bequeath to the Nons of Appilton, to sing *Dirige* and *Messe* for my sall, to the prioresse xij d., to the supprioresse viij d., and to every none vj d.; and to the same place I bequeath a vestimente of chamlett, and a *Legenda Aurea*. Item I bequeath to Robert White's childer, to ichon of his sones xx s., and ichon of his doughtours x s. Item I bequeath toward the findding and exhibicion of ij scolers that be apte to lerne, to praye for my sall, my wife's sall, for ichon of them xl s. Item I bequeath to the ancres in Yorke vj s. viij d. Item I bequeath to our Lady churche in Beverlac' xx s. Item I bequeath to ichon of my servauntes vj s. viij d. besides theire wages. Item I bequeath to the churche of Sancte Michaell in Yorke vj s. viij d. Item to Sir Thomas Worall x s. Item I bequeath to amendyng of hie wais aboute Yorke, where as is nede, xl s. Item I bequeath v marc to purchase as moche land as will make an yerely obite perpetually in our Lady churche in Castelgate for my sall, my wife's, my fader and my moder soules, and al my good frendes salles, and all Cristen salles. Item I bequeath xx li., [with] whiche money I will that my executours do purchase, imediatly after my decesse, xxvj s. viij d. land by yere, which land I will it shalbe jonyd to a house and certayne landes of myne lyeng within the parishe of Hemyngburgh; whiche house and landes I gyve frely to Christofer Stapilton, Thomas Rither, Walter Bradford, Sir Thomas Worall preist, for that intent, to performe my last will as concernyng a Messe that I will have daily within the churche of the Graye Freres in Yorke, with a solenne *Messe* and *Dirige* ons in the yere perpetualy for my sall, my wif, my fader, my moder, and all my good frendes salles, and all Cristen salles, and I will have it after the forme of Maister Brian Roclife's Messe: and I will that the on half of the money that shall rise of the said landes be distributed emonges the breder that shall syng the

Messe; and the other half for my obite, & to the reparacions of the house, in the whiche obite I will that the warden have vj d., every broder beyng preist iiij d., and to every broder no prest ij d.: and I will that the belman have iiij d. for puplissing of the said obite. Item I will that William Wilson and his suster Anne have theire childer partes fully and frely without any charges or costes. Item I bequeath to Anne Wilson ij gownes, a violett furred and a murray furred, and a violet bonnet, a frontelett with a dimisynge girdill. Item I will that my executours by, or cause to be maid, xiij matresses, as meny coverlettes, and as many pare of shetes, which I will they gif to xiijth yong poore men that be begynners and haith litle to helpe them self with. Item I bequeath to John Metecalf xl s. Item I bequeath to my broder, Christofer Conyers, ij howses, on lyeng in Beverlay in the holddyng of on Gulde, cowper, and on other in Hull in the holdding of on Hewetson, shomaker, whiche I lately purchased of on William White, the sone of Johne White alderman and grosiour of Yorke. Also I bequeath to my said broder, Christofer, in plate and money, x marc. Item to the same Christofer the prophetes of all my landes in Cawod [&] Wistowe, excepte an annuitie of xxxiij s. iiij d. yerely, whiche I gyve to my suster, Dame Mary, for hir lif, and, after hir decesse, to returne to my broder, Christofer Conyers, for the terme of his lif, and, after his decesse, to goo to the right heires. Item I bequeath to Dame Mary a flate pece gilte with a roose in the bothome. Item I bequeath to Doctor Vavasour v marc and a gilted spone, to pray for me and all that I am bounde. Item I will that William Wilson [have] v marke and a scarlett gowne for a woman, beside his childe parte. Item I bequeath to the makyng of the hie altar in the Gray Freres xx s. Item to Wistoo kirke xiij s. iiij d. Item to Frere Thomas Slater x s. Item to my broder, Walter Bradford, a standding nutte with a cover, the shell paynted. Item to my unckl Gibson a gilted spoyne for a remembrance. The residue of my goodes, my dettes paid, and charges borne, I gyve to be divided betwixt my broder, Christofer Conyers, and my susters, Dame Mary and Anne Sampoll, at the sight of my unckle Gibson, whome I make my supervisour of my testament; and Doctor Vavasour and Walter Bradford, whome, with my broder, Christofer Conyers, I make my executours. In wittenes whereof is the parsone of Sancte Mary church in Castilgate, Sir Thomas Granger, and Sir Thomas Wirrell, the daye and yere afore rehersed.

[Pr. 31 July, 1526–7, adm. to Chr. Conyers, the other ex^{rs}., Mr. Wm Vavasour, S.T.P., Warden of the Friars Minors, York, and Walter Bradford, renouncing.]

CLIV. THE WILL OF JOHN ROGERSON OF RIEVAULX.

[Reg. Test. ix. 334.]

In the name of God, Amen. xvjth daye the moneth of Decembre, yere of our Lorde m^{l}dxxiiijth. I, John Rogerson, of Ryvall within the parishe of Helmesley, constant and perfitte in reason, makes my testament in forme folowing. First I bequeath my saull to Almyghtie God my Redemer and Saviour, to His gloriose moder Sancte Mary, and to all the holye company in hevyn; and my body to be beried within the churche of Alhallouse in Helmesley. Item I bequeath, for my mortuary, my best good. Item I will, immediatly after my dethe a preist sing in Helmesley church for my saull the space of an hoole yere. Item I bequeath to the monastery of Ryvall for *Messe*, *Dirige*, and *Absolucion*, xx s., that is to say for Absolucion vj s. viij d., and to the Covente xiij s. iiij d. Item I bequeath to Rauf Saxton iij s. iiij d. Item I gif to Patrike my servaunte a whit jackett and a blake fustyan dublett. Item I bequeath to William Redhed childe my olde motley coite. Item I bequeath to Stevyn Goodfellowe childe my godson an olde jackett. Item I bequeath to Brymley wif a paire hoise and a galberdyn. Item I bequeath to Sancte Alrede shryne* a paire beades. The residue of my goodes, not bequest, my dettys truly contente, I gif to Petir Saxton and George Sandwith, whome I make executours of this my last will. Wittenesses William Watson my curate.

[Pr. 20 Feb. 1525-6.]

CLV. THE WILL OF RICHARD CALVERLEY, GEN.

[Reg. Test. ix. 304 *b*.]

Dec. 25, 1524. Richarde Calverley,† gentilman. To be beriede in the hye where within the parishe church of Sancte Wilfride in Calverley. I make Robert & Nicholas Calverley, my breder, with Henry Thornhill, executours, & my cosyng, Sir Watir Calverley, supervisour. To my nevoye, Sir Walter Calverley, x li. in golde, & to my lady his wif v marc. To my god doughtour, Anne Calverley, v markes, & a paire of beades of corall; & to every on of hir sisters vj s. viij d. To Gilbert

* At Rievaulx. The shrine of St. Aelred, who was duly honoured there.
† A son of William Calverley, Esq. (Test. Ebor. iv. 157.)

Calverley & his broder Thomas Calverley xiij s. iiij d. To William Calverley, the yonger, xx s. with a gray amblyng nag. To my cosyng, William Calverley th'elder, a yoke of my best stottes in my draight. To my cosyng, Robert Calverley, & Thomas his broder, vj s. viij d. To my godson, John C., vj s. viij d. To every on of my brether John childer xl s. To Robert Calverley, my broder, xl s. To Sir Robert Yole iij s. iiij d., to pray for me, with half of the insight within my house at Esthaull. To Isabell Calverley a whie. To Agnes Vavasour a silver spoyne. To Thomas Harpar a gray nag. I bequeath vij marc to a preist, to pray for my saull & al my frendes saules for a yere. To my sistur Isabell an olde noble, with a paire of white every beades with faces, & to every on of hir sonnes a silver spoyne. To Nicholes Ellys my bukler. I bequeath a cowe worth x s. for the church stoke. To William Ellys, th'elder, a paire beades of ambour. I bequeath a sylver goblett in the custody of my lady Calverley duryng hir life, &, after hir decesse, to my doughtour, Anne. To Alicie Calverley an arke. To Thomas C. my wod knyf. To Wm C. th'elder a new dagar. To my brother Vicar, for his labour, an olde noble. To my hospes Harpar an ambre. To my brother Roberte my fox furryd gowne, a sattan dublett, with the sidder of my chamlett jackett. To Gilberte Calverley my little crose of golde for the terme of his lif, &, aftir hym, to be an heire lome to the progenye of the heires of Calverley. I will that all my purchaced lands in Calverley & Manyngham go to my broder Robert for terme of his lif; to remayne to Sir Walter Calverley & his heres; &, for the more surtye, I have maide a deide of feoffamente & putt yn thies feoffes, Thomas Tempest Esquier, Robert Meryng & John Meryng gentilmen. The residue to my ex^rs for t'helth of my saull & thairs, and, thus, Jhesu have mercy oppon me.

[Pr. 22 March, 1524-5.]

CLVI. THE INVENTORY OF JOHN GRENE* OF YORK, GLOVER.

[Ex Orig. penes Dec. et Capit. Ebor.]

Jan. 16, 1524–5. A Sancte John hede, ij s. A byrde cage w^t a corde, ij d.

* He made his will, Nov. 24, 1524. John Greyn, of the citie of Yorke, glover. To be beried in the church or church graith of that parich wher it shall happen me to depart furth of this world, and my best garment for my mortuarie, after the coostome of ye citie of Yorke, if it fortone me to die thare. To Margaret, my wyff, my howse in Walmegait. Daughters Agnes &

THE SHOPE. A dosen payr of gloves vj d. viij bagges iiij s. xviii purses ij s. A chyst xviij d. ij hallyngs xij d. ij formes, a borde wt other huslament in ye sayme xij d. iiij sekkes wt v poykes xvj d.

Summa, xj s.

He owes to ye wyf at ye Bell at Doncaster xiiij d. Funerall expenses fyve marke.

CLVII. THE WILL OF SIR THOMAS SWIFT, PRIEST.

[Reg. Wolsey, 157.]

Feb. 8, 1524–5. I, Sir Thomas Swifte,* preiste, as a true Cristen man fast in the faithe of Criste and His Church, now beyng hoole in body and of good mynde and memory, make, orden, and declare this my testament and last will in maner and forme folowyng. First, I bequeath my saull to Hym which creatid and redemede the same, Criste Jhesu, besechyng humbly Allmyghtie God, Sone, and the Holye Gost, thre Persons and oon God, to have mercy of me synfull creature, praying also His Godhed to have pyte of me, and of His infinite mercy to put His moost excellent passion betwix my soull and His rightwise jugement; and if I for my manyfold synnes and trespaces have not maide true confession, dew contricion and satisfaccion as I ought to have downe, I therfore aske grace and forgyvenes, mekely beseching the moost gloriose Virgyn, oure Lady Sancte Mary, all Angelles, Archangels, Apostels, Evaungelistes, Marters, Confessours, and Virgyns, with all the celestiall citizens and gloriouse company of hevyn, to be my advocates, to pray for me unto God for remission of my synnes, that my saull may be savyd and comme to the blisse that never shall have ende. Item I will my body be beryede within the church of Rotherham before the doore of oure Lady's where. And I gif to the church warkes and nedes xx s. Item I will be giffyn for my mortuary accordyng to th'use and costome of the contrey. Item I gif to the church of Wikersley, towarde the makyng of ther steple and hallowyng of ther hye altar, vij li. Item to Sir John Addy a fetherbede that he lyeth on, with bolster, tester, and sciller, with a gowne. Item I gif

Margaret Greyn. To Edward Chawmar of Donyngton my blake horse being at Hinderskelf and my ledder dublet. My broder, Robert Greyn. (Pr. Dec. 15, 1525.) [Reg. Test. Dec. & Capit. ii. 139.]

* A son of John Swift of Tinsley, and a kinsman of Robert Swift of Rotherham. Cf. Hunter's South Yorkshire, i. 204-5.

to the saide Sir John Addy, to syng eight yeres next aftir the date hereof for my saull, for the saull of my maister Geffray Symon,* for the saulles of my fader and mother, and al Cristen saulles, for every yere vij marc, which amounteth to the somme of xxxvij li. vj s. viij d., which somme I will shalbe kepte in the College of Jhesu in Rotherham under the custody of the provest and felowys of the same, and they to pay to the saide Sir John Addy vij marc yerely, as is aforesaide; and if the saide Sir John dye, than it be gyven in like maner to an other prest, electe by my executours. Also I will my saide prest shall say iij tymes in the weeke *Placebo*, *Dirige*, and *Commendacions*. Also the same prest to say Messe in the weeke, one of the Trinitie, the secunde of oure Lady, the thirde of *Requiem*, and in other days to say as he shalbe disposid. And I will the saide preste syng within the church of Rotherham beforsade the saide viijth yeres. To Thomas & John Swifte & Humfrey Walker, my god childer, to every on of them vj s. viij d. To Jane Walker sex sylver spones. To Alice Wade vj sylver spones. To John and William Swift, sonnes of William Swift, and to Anne Swifte ther sister iiij li. To my ij servauntes, Thomas and John, theire hole yere wages . . . To the churche of Burnesaull, where I was parsone, c s., it to be taken of such dettes as ys owyng by my procuratour there. To the amendyng of the gate in Tynsley xl s. To the chapell of the same a vestyment of bodkyn with pertinence, to th'entente my saull may be prayde for. To the monastery of Rufford a pare of greate saltes sylver with a cover gilte, for th'entente that thay for the same shall syng yerely aboute the day of my obite *Placebo* and *Dirige* with a Messe of *Requiem* the day folowyng; and for performacion of the same I will th'abbott and Convente of the saide Rufford be boundon to my executours in an obligacion of xx^{ti} marc; and, if they denye so to be boundon, than I will the saide saltes with the cover be otherwise disposed for my saull aftir the discretion of my executours. To my broder, John, vj sylver spones and xl s. To my lorde abbot of Rufford a velvett girdle with harnes silver and gilt. To Jane Storke, my servaunte, . . . & xx s. for hir true labour and service downe to me. To Maistir Roberte Nevile, provost of the College of Jhesu of Rotherham, for his labours, my best gowne cremysyn furryd with marttrons, my best surples, a bag of blake velvett with ryng of sylver and gilt, a girdle harneshed with sylver and gilt having a flowre on the bucle, and an other in the pendent. To Robert Swift of Rotherham a macer with a

* Geoffrey Simeon, prebendary of South Cave at York, who became Dean of Lincoln.

cover of sylver and gilt havyng a roo buke oppon it. The residue . . . to Maister Robert Nevile & Roberte Swifte, whome I orden executours . . to dispose them for t'helthe of my saull and my saide maister saulle in good warkes and charitable dedes . . Wittenes Sir John Addy prest, Sir Nicholas Frankish prest, Sir Richard Bradshawe scole maistir, John Grene, and Thomas Swift, my servauntes.

[Pr. 23 Feb. 1524-5.]

CLVIII. THE WILL OF WILLIAM NELSON, ALDERMAN OF YORK.

[Reg. Test. ix. 305.]

In the name of the Holie and Indivisible Trinitie, the Fader, the Sone, and t'holye Goost, Amen. I, William Nelson,* of the citie of Yorke, gentilman, hoole of mynde and clere memory, the xxjth daye of March, the yere of oure Lorde God m^{l} d. xxiiijth, revolvyng and thinking the freile astate and condicion of man, and also the incertitude of my last day, nyght and day revolvyng and thinking, and by the grace of God willing and purposyng the inconvenientes and accidentes therof to come, and a perfite remedy to provide and putte, maketh, ordineth, and disposeth this my testament, my last will therin contenyd, in maner and forme folowyng. First I witt and commende my saull to Almyghtie God, my Creatour, and to that Blissid Mary Virgyn and Moder of Mercy, and to all the Sanctes of the celestiall courte of hevyn, and my body to be beried in the church of Holye Trinitie in Mekilgate in Yorke, nye the body

* Thomas Nelson, merchant, was Chamberlain of York in 1442; Sheriff, 1447-8; M.P. 1452; Lord Mayor, 1454 and 1465. Will d. 4 Nov. 1478; pr. 22 March 1483-4. (Reg. Test. v. 212.) Sep. in eccl. prioratus S. Trinitatis coram altare S. Thomæ Martyris, juxta corpus Katerinæ, uxoris meæ. Grandson Geo. Wastenes, son of my dau. Agnes. Son & heir, Thos. N., 100 marks, and my lands, etc., in Hull, Cottingham, Brantingham, Skelton near York, Doncaster, Bolton on Derne, Halifax, Fenton, East and West Lutton, and houses in York. Son Wm. N. 100 marks and houses in York, and lands in Riccall, Poppleton, and Sherburne.

Alderman Nelson, according to Drake, founded a chantry at the altar where he was buried, desiring that it should be called that of St. Thomas Nelson.

The maker of the will now given, William Nelson, was his second son, and was Chamberlain in 1489; Sheriff, 1495-6. On Jan. 28, 1498-9, he was elected Alderman; in 1500 he was Lord Mayor; and on Dec. 18, 1503, he was elected M.P., an honour which was repeated in 1509, 1511-12, and 1514-15. On Jan. 15, 1516-17, being then a prisoner in the Fleet, London, he was again made Lord Mayor, to the 'gret mervaylle and dyspleasour' of the king, who set the election aside. Mr. Nelson resigned his gown Aug. 6, 1517. He marr. Jenet or Joan, dau. John Norton, Esq., of Bilbrough. Christopher, his son and heir, died at Riccall in 1554, where he had a lease of the prebend.

of my fader; and I witto the Prior of the Holye Trinitie the day of my beriall iij s. iiij d., and to every monke xx d. for *Dirige* and *Messe*, to pray for me; and to the sacristane for lightyng candilles opon my grave by on hoole yere at Messe tyme, xij d. Also I witto my parsónes for forgettyn tithes and oblacions vj s. viij d. Also I witt v li. wax in v serges to burne aboute my body to my parishe kirke. Also I witt x li. wax to be maide in v candils to burne aboute my body to my beriall. Also I will ther be wax found sufficiently to burne opon my grave at Messe tymes by a hoole yere next aftir my decesse. Also I witto my parishe kirkewarke vj s. viij d. Also I witto the iiij Orders of Freres within the citie of Yorke xx s., that is to say, every Order v s. for ther special prayers. Also I witto every leprose house within the suburbiis of Yorke vj d., and to every massendew iiij d. Also I witt v li. of money to be distribute to every olde man and woman j d.: the residue by the discretions of my executours, and every man and woman lyeng bedryn, that may not come, j d. Also I witt xx s. to the upholdyng of Use brig, so that it be expent opon the same brig, and in non other use. Also I witto the marige of poore madyns xl s., the lest iij s. iiij d., and the most vj s. viij d. Also I witto every man servaunte beyng with me the day of my beriall ij s., and to every woman servaunte xx d., over and besides ther wages. Also I witt x s. for the sayng of a trentall the day of my beriall. Also I witto an honest prest iiij li. vj s. viij d., and his borde with my wif, to synge for my saull and all Cristen saulles by the space of ij yeres, and he to say daylie *Placebo* and *Dirige*, and, aither yere, a trentall as the festes come, and aftir every Messe to say this Psalme *De Profundis* with the Collecte *Absolve*. Also I witt and giffes Janet my wif my basyng and ewer of silver duryng hir lif naturall, and aftir hir decesse to Cristofer Nelson and William his sone, or els the on to by the other parte. Also I witt and giffes the saide Jenet, my wif, a standyng pece of silver coverte and gilte with Sancte Nicholas of the cover top, and vj spoynes silver and gilte. Also I witt and giffes the saide Jenet. my wif, for terme of hir lif, al my landes and tenementes in Grymston, Ricall, Welehows, Kelfeld, Acastre, my chefe place in Yorke that I dwell yn with the tenemente in Conyng-strete boght of Thomas Holgate, and the tenement that Richarde Bossall and Cristofer Conyers wonnte in in the Trinitie parishe at the Shamyll end, with the tenemente bakeward aneynst Sancte Sampson kirke; and she to paye yerely to Thomas Nelson, my sone, iij li. at ij termes in the yere to he be beneficed to the yerely valour of x li. And aftir the decesse of Jenet my wif, I gif and witt to William

Nelson, my son, and to the heires of his body lawfully begotten, the landes in Ricall, Welehowse, and landes bought of Gilliot in Kelfeld, and he and thay to pay yerely to his broder, Thomas Nelson, xxxiij s. iiij d. at ij times, as is aforesaide, to he be beneficed; and Cristofer Nelson to pay yerely to the forsaide Thomas Nelson, his brother, xxvj s. viij d., in full contentacion of the forsaide iij li. aftir the form aforsaide. And after the decesse of Jenett my wif I will the tenementes in Conyngstrete . . & Newland title . . to William Nelson, son of Cristofer Nelson my sone . . and the tenementes that Richard Bossall and Cristofer Conyers wonnte in, and the tenement bakeward aneynst Sancte Sampson kirke . . to Peter, sone of William my sone . . And I gif and witto Cristofer Nelson, my sone and heire, a standyng pece covert silver and gilt with bretesynges, the grete cownter in the haull, my best gilted salt coveryd and gilt, a giltid spoyne, with vj other spoynes of silver, and my crosse of golde, in full satisfaccion of his porcion. And also I gif and witto William Nelson, my sone, a standyng pece coverte with iij lyons silver and gilte, the cowntour in the parlour, the other gilt salt aftir his moder decesse, a giltid spoyne, with vj other spoynes of silver, in ful satisfaccion of his parte and portion. And I geve and witto Thomas Nelson, my sone, sex silver spoynes with lyons opon the endes, a cowntour at Ricall, a pressour, a copburde of waynescotte that was Davelle's, a bound kiste, with a bed of waynescotte, a federbed, a coveryng of a bed with ymagery, ij coverlettes, ij blankettes, a paire of sheites, ij pillows, and vj whissynges with hertes, in full satisfaccion of his parte and porcion. To William Nelson, Cristofer sone, my doble cowntour in the side of the haull, that was Davell's, and a giltid spoyne. And I gif Richard, his brother, a gilt spoyne and the cowntour in my bed chambour. And I gif Peter Nelson a giltid spoyne and the cowntour in the chapell chambour. And I gif to William, his broder, a giltid spoyne, and the cowntour in the parlour that the menȝey ettes oppon. To every doughtour of Cristofer and William Nelson, vj s. viij d. To Kateryn Gascoign, my doughtour, vj s. viij d. And I wit Rauf Gascoign and William, his broder, aither of them vj s. viij d. so it come not in ther fader handes. Also I wit Isabell Gascoigne a smale girdle, the harnes silver and gilte, that was hir moder wedding girdle, and vj s. viij d. To Jenett Langton, my doughtour, vj s. viij d. and to Fraunces, hir sone, vj s. viij d. Also I wit Margarete Aire, my doughtour, vj s. viij d., and a standyng pece coverte, silver and gilte, worth v marc, which I delyvered hir at the xviijth day of February last past, and x marc in stuff or money in amendeyng of hir porcion so that

John Eire, hir husbande, make acquietance for hir porcion, or els which he and she haith receyvid of me to be cast in hir porcion, and to take that that right will he have. To Martyn and Dorothe, hir childer, aither of them vj s. viij d. To Margarete Garnett vj s. viij d., and Jenet, hir doughtour, iij s. iiij d. I wit William Nicson one of my gownes, which my wif will, and iij s. iiij d. I witto Sir John, my curate, iij s. iiij d., to pray for me. To Sir John Symson vj s. viij d. I witto the Trinite gilde in Fossegate iij s. iiij d. To Sancte Cristofer and Sancte George gilde iij s. iiij d. To Corpus Cristi gilde xx d. The residue . . to Jenet my wif & Cristofer, my son, whom I orden . . executours, to fulfill my will and dispose my goodes in warkes of marcy for t'helthe of my saull, and I make and ordend William Colla preist supervisour of my testament, to se my wil be fulfilled, and goodes well and vertuosly disposed. And as for Richard Langton, I have acquietance of hym. And as for William Gascoign haith had of me above reason in money, rayment and dynner, with other charges, a hundreth marces of lawfull money, and in money, when he went to the Scottishe feld, iiij li. and more; and, to make his wife a feoffamente, xl marces, and he entrid to his landes at xvijth yeres of his elde to my hurte and damage xx li. and more. Also oxen, kye, horses, bounde waynes, crisom laces, fyne pillows, with beddyng and stuf oute of mynd, to the valour of xx li. and more. In wittenes hereof to this my present testamente and last will therin contenyd I have putto my seale, the daye and yere above written. Thies wittenessez, Sir John Miklay, curate, Thomas Staveley, William Pulley, Henry Mason, and other.

[Pr. 12 Apr. 1525.]

CLIX. THE WILL OF DAME ELIZABETH SCARGILL, WID.

[Reg. Test. ix. 313.]

Apr. 7, 1525. Dame Elisabeth Scargill, widdo, late wife unto Sir William Scargill knyght * late departed. To be beriede w'in sanctified grownde whereso it please Almyghtie God that I shall departe. To my curate my best whik good in the name of my mortuary. To the hye altar in Ledes, to helpe to bye an ornamente, iij s. iiij d. Also, to the church warkes of Ledes vj s. viij d. To Mr Robert Scargill a horse or xl s. To Maistres Coplay a cowe. To Sir John Evers vj s. viij d. To

* There is very little known about the Scargills, who lived at Lede Grange.

John Preist ij s. To Sir Symond Hawe, my chaplayn, vij marc in a yere duryng vij yeres, to pray for my saull and for my husband saull, Sir William Scargill, and al my good freindes saulles. To my madyn of my chambre a cowe and vj s. viij d. To Elisabeth Scargill, my doughtour, my ambling gray horse. I orden Eliz., my doughtour, my ful executrix of this my testament. The residue . . . to her, to hir mariage and to dispose for my saull aftir hir best mynde. Thes beryng wittenes Maister John Coplay, Sir John Vevers, etc.

[Pr. 5 May, 1525, adm. to ex^x.]

CLX. THE WILL OF ROBERT HALITREHOLME, RECTOR OF BIDENHAM CO. BEDFORD.

[Reg. Test. ix. 366.]

In nomine Individuæ Trinitatis, Patris, et Filii, et Spiritus Sancti, duodecimo die mensis Aprilis, anno Domini millesimo, quingentesimo, vicesimo quinto. Amen. Ego, Robertus Halytreholme,* clericus, rector ecclesiæ parochialis de Bidenham in comitatu Bed', compos mentis ac sanæ memoriæ, condo testamentum meum in hunc modum. In primis lego animam meam Omnipotenti Deo, Beatæ Mariæ Virgini, Sancto Jacobo Apostolo, et Omnibus Sanctis cælestis curiæ, corpusque meum (si contingat me mori apud Bidenham) ad sepeliendum in ecclesia Sancti Jacobi prædicta de Bidenham, in cancello, subtus lectrinam. Item lego [in] unum Antiphonarium cum nota pro ecclesia prædicta, v li. vj s. viij d. Item reparationi pontis de Bidenham vj s. viij d. Item lego reparationi ecclesiæ de Lincoln iij s. iiij d. Item lego Abbatissæ et Conventui de Denney in comitatu Cantabrigiæ sex cocliaria argentea, et in moneta xx s., pro Exequiis et Missa celebrandis inter eas solenniter pro anima mea, et pro animabus parentum et fratrum et sororum meorum, etc. Item do Agneti Mayne unum cocliar argenteum et iij s. iiij d. Item lego Fratribus Minoribus iij s. iiij d. Item lego Roberto Popley, Fratri Minori, filio meo spiritali, vj s. viij d. Item lego fabricæ ecclesiæ Sancti Botulphi in Cantabrigia ij s. Item lego Fratribus Prædicatoribus de Beverlaco, ut intersint sepulturæ meæ, et celebrent Exequias et Missam, vj s. viij d. Item lego Ricardo Dalby unam peciam argenteam cum una arbore de *holyn* in sculptura in fundo cum hoc verbo *Agnos*, et unam murram secundam, et sex cocliaria argentea cum *knoppes*

* A native of Beverley, who had been educated at Cambridge and beneficed in Bedfordshire. He made his own will.

vocatis *garlekhed*. Item lego Elisabeth Dalby, uxori dicti Ricardi, unam cistam de cipero coopertam cum ferro. Item lego lectum plumale melius quod jacet in parlura, cum cervicalli eidem pertinente. Item lego eidem Elizabeth unum optimum par lintheaminum. Item lego Francisco Dalby unam peciam argenteam parvam, stantem, partim deauratam, cum pede cum uno flore argenti in fundo, cum uno *wreith* deaurato circa florem. Item lego dicto Francisco meam murram cum coopertorio ejusdem. Item lego dicto Francisco unam magnam rubiam archam in mea camera. Item lego Laurencio Foster de Skerne, consanguineo meo, unam peciam argenteam cum uno *daysy* deaurato in fundo, et habet *tuche* de Turri. Item lego Johannæ, uxori dicti Laurentii, unum par precularium de *corall* et *armer*, cum gaudiis de argento, cum lapide *jasper*. Item lego tribus filiabus dicti Laurentii, viz. Margaretæ, Elisabeth, et Annæ, unicuique earum, unum cocliar argenteum. Item lego Elisabeth Dalby, matri Ricardi Dalby, unum cingulum de serico rubei coloris cum iiij scripitis argenteis, unum par lintheaminum, et unum par precularium quod habet, quod ei præstiti. Item lego domino Ricardo Grante capellano unum cocliar argenteum. Item lego domino Roberto Sonley, rectori ecclesiæ Sancti Nicholai de Beverlaco, unam murram cum parva ligatura argentea, et tria cocliaria argentea, et unum par lintheaminum, et, si contingat me mori Beverlaci, eligo sepulturam meam in ecclesia collegiata Sancti Johannis Beverlaci in insula australi, juxta chorum dictæ ecclesiæ, prope sepulturam Domini Thomæ Halitreholme, avunculi mei, quondam personæ in prædicta ecclesia. Item lego reparationi ecclesiæ Beatæ Mariæ Beverlaci xx s. Item volo quod emant unum lapidem cum data et convenienti scripto ad ponendum super corpus meum. Item [lego] Elisabeth Dalby, consanguineæ meæ, unum magnum *countier* stans in aula. Et cætera bona mea, ulterius non legata, post debita mea soluta, ac funerales expensas meas solutas, do et lego Ricardo Dalby et Elisabeth Dalby, uxori dicti Ricardi Dalby, et Roberto Sonley capellano, rectori ecclesiæ Sancti Nicholai Beverlaci, quos quidem Ricardum Dalby, Elisabeth, et Robertum Sonley, ordino, facio, et constituo hujus mei testamenti meos veros et legitimos executores, ut istud meum testamentum fideliter perimpleant, et cætera bona mea, non legata, disponant pro salute animæ meæ, animabus parentum meorum, fratrum et sororum meorum, ac animabus benefactorum [ac] omnium fidelium defunctorum, sicut eis melius videbitur placere Deo. Hiis testibus Domino Ricardo Grantt capellano, R. Browne, serviente meo, Laurencio Forster. Datum Beverlaci, xiiij° die Aprilis, anno Domini millesimo quingentesimo vicesimo quinto. Scriptum manu mea propria.

CLXI. THE WILL OF RICHARD WILLOUGHBY, PRIEST.

[Reg. Wolsey, 158 *a*.]

May 2, 1525. I Richarde Willoughby,* preiste, in hoole mynde, makes my testament in this maner folowyng. First I gif and witt my saull to Almyghtie God and to oure Lady Sancte Mary, and to all the Sanctes in heven, and my body to be beriede in the parishe church where soo ever it shall please God to visett me; and if it forton me to be visitt within the lordship of Hynderskelf, that then my body to be beriede at a thorne tree in the churche yerde that I set my self. And I gif and witt in the name of my mortuary my best horse, under the forme as be accostomed, and my marble stone that nowe lithe there to be lade apon me. Also I witt to the amendyng of the ornamentes within the saide church xx s. Also I witt that ther shalbe expente als moche at the day of my beriall [as cometh] to iij s. iiij d. and my xijth torches to be expente the saide daye, and to ichon of the xij olde men that berith them iiij d., *Summa* iiij s. Also I will that every persone, vicar, and preist that visitt my body the day of my berial, syngyng or sayng *Messe* and *Dirige* for my saull, xij d., parishe clerkes iiij d., scolers ij d., and every man, woman, and childe j d. Also I gif to the prior of Kirkham xx s.; to Sir Thomas Yorke vj s. viij d., and to every broder and novice xij d., and maistir sacristayne for ryngyng of ther belles to ther costome, and they to syng *Messe* and *Dirige* for my saull. Also I witto the iiij Orders of Freres within the citie of Yorke xiij s. iiij d. to be divided by evyn porcions. Item to the iiij colege churches iiij s., ychon of them xij d. Item to Sancte Petir warke xx d. Also to one ymage of oure Lady standding be northe [*sic*] the where dore in the Mynster of Yorke xij d. Also I witto Sancte Margarete altar in Huton my Messe buke, vestiment, and chales. Also I will that my executours fynd iij serges before the ymage of Sancte Margarete by the space of vij yeres. Also I gif to ther hye waes and ther commonnotte vj s. viij d. Also I gif to the upholdding bothe the chappels xx s. Also to my suster Elisabeth iij li. vj s. viij d. Also to Nicolas Newsome xl s., ij oxon; and to his wif a cowe. Also to Robert Wright and his wif and his childer xx s., ij oxon, and a cowe. Also to Jenett Mylner of Malton on cowe or x s. Also Richarde Daye and his wif a cowe and iij s.

* The testator seems to have been attached to the household of Lord Greystock at Hinderskelfe, an ancient church and village, swept away to make place for Castle Howard.

iiij d. Also I will have a preist to saye Messe at Sancte Margarete chapell for on yere, of the feriall dayes to say *Dirige* for my farder's saull, my moder saull and my owne, withal my kynsfolkes saules whos bones lieth there; and whan he says not *Dirige*, as Festivall dayes, then to say the vij Psalmes with the Latany, and he to have for his wages iij li. vj s. viij d. Also to on preist to syng at Hynderskelf by the space of ij yeres, and he to have like payment, and to serve under the same forme, sayng Messe the Sonday of the Trinitie, the Monday of th'Angels, the Tuysdaye of the Holye Gost, the Weddensday of *Requiem*, Thursday of *Corpus Christi*, the Friday of the Crosse, the Satturday of oure Lady; and the preist to have to his wages to the saide ij yeres viij li. xiij s. iiij d. and he to be charged as aforesade. Also I gif to the kirke warke of Thorpbassett xx s. Also to ychon of my god childer xij d. Also Jenett Hudson xl s. Jenet Browne xx s. Isabell Foster a cowe or els x s. Item to John Symson, auditor to my lorde, that I may have rightwise jugement and true justice betwixt my lorde and me, xl s. Also I gif to my Lorde Dacre, my Lorde Graistoke, my good maister Sir Cristofer Dacre, by evyn porcion to be deliverid emonge them, iij horses, or els vj li., to the intent that thay be als good to my executours and to my saull as they have been hertofore to my poore persone. Also to my Lorde Deyne nowe beyng xl s. or els my best horse next my mortuary and he to be supervisour of this my will. The residue of my goodes not legated I bequeath to Maister Houghton and Sir William Jeffrason, and they to dispose and distribute the saide goodes to the helth of ther saulles and myne as they will aunswer afore the hye Juge, and they to have for ther labours xx nobils divided by evyn porcions, the day and yere abovesade.

[Pr. 28 Aug. 1525, adm. to Mr Wm Houghton & Dan Wm Jeffrason, vicar of Folkton, chaplains, ex^rs.]

CLXII. THE WILL OF THOMAS LACY, GEN.

[Reg. Test. ix. 315 *b*.]

May 15, 1525. Thomas Lacy,* gentilman, prist and stable of mynde. To be beriede within the parishe churche of Folton, in oure Lady where. To Sir Brian, my preist, if he be contente therwith, or els, some other to syng for me and my antecessours the space of iiij yeres complete, iiij li. every yere. To the

* The Lacies of Folkton, E.R.Y., were an ancient Yorkshire family. Cf. Glover's Visitation of Yorkshire, 160–1.

executours of Sir Cristofer Durham, late the vicar of Folton, for the forgifnes of tithes forgettyn, x s. To Roberte Lacy, Elisabeth, my doughtour, with the x li. that Sir Roberte Constable owe me, & the vj li. that Sir William Ellercar owe me, with all the raymentes that was hir moder's, beside hir parte, with the half my inwarde goodes of Folton. To Lancelote, my sone, my goblett with the coveryng. To Roberte, my sone, my goblett, and half the dossan spones that ar called the xijth Apostels; and the oyer half I gif to Lancelote, my sone. To Rauf Lacy, my sone, beside his parte, v li. xiij s. iiij d. that Maister Gower owe me, and v marc that Maistir Laton owe me, and xl s. that Mastres Laton owe me, & vij nobles that Frere, the balye of Bridlyngton, owe me; I bequeath my sone Rauf with his parte to my sone Robert, he to fynde sufficiente surtie to Sir Rauf Eure and my cousyng Gower to fynde hym at the scole, & to have his parte; and Roberte to have the money above namyd for the fynddyng of the said Rauf at the scole. To Watir Rudstone, my sone in lawe, x li. To Lancelote, my sone, my leise & take of my fermehold of the hall, the crops grovyng at the hall, etc.; also my leise of the Clif close for payng of such dettes as is not knowen, and for goyng of pilgramage for me. To Maistres Jane Eure xx yowes with ther lames. To Matild, my bastard doughtour, v marc. To Rauf Lacy a flat silver pece. To Sir Rauf Eure my whit dog and my blake, and my halke. To the Prior of Bridlington, for all the offences and displeasours downe betwixte hyme and me, and for a forgiffenes, x s. To my sister, Matild, xl drape wedders, & to Thomas Milner, hir sone, a file with a whit foite. To Rauf Lacy v marc for his parte. To Anne Lacy & Margarete v li. vj s. viij d. for ther parties. To Isabell Lacy v marc for hir parte, she to be delyvered to Roberte Lacy. To Lancelote Lacy all my horses at the hall. I forgif such poore men as is not able to pay me. To Tyndall wif my bore and a sue with pig. To the Freres of Scardeburgh, to have one yerely obite, the house that Gylmyn wif wonnt in, the which Freres maide clame therto. To the house of Sancte Roberte's, for absolucion, iij s. iiij d. The residue to Lancelote and Rauf, my childer: they ex^{rs}: Sir Rauf Eure, supervisor.

[Pr. 28 July, 1525, adm. to Lancelot Lacy, res. to other.]

CLXIII. THE WILL OF MR. WILLIAM SMITH OF RAWCLIFFE.

[Reg. Test. Dec. & Cap. Ebor. ii. 142.]

June 22, 1525. Be it knawen over all that I, William Smyth, of Rowclif besides the citie of Yorke, notarie, hooll of mynd and seik of bodie, maik & ordeigne my testament & last will in maner and forme following. To be bur. within the metropolitane church of Sainct Peture of York, afor the ymage of our Blissid Ladie, ney besides Isabell my wiff lait decessed, whos soull God pardone. To my parich church of Belfray, for my mortuarie, my best horse. And I will that myne executores doo for me at my buriall in like maner as I causid to be doyne abowt the buriall of my wiff, in every behalve. To the monastarie of our Blissid Ladie of Yorke fortie wedders. To the foure Orders of Freers of the said citie xx s., so thay goo before me to the church; & to every of the Spittall howses of the same citie a bussell of wheit. To my brother, William Conyers, my bay gelding, and my tawny sattan dublet; and to Issabell, my doghter, a challes, w^t^ a westament and a alb y^t^ belongeth the same. To my freind, Thomas Skirrow of York, armerer, two qwies of iiij yeres old, and my new Kendall jakket. . . . To Thomas Gillow my musterddevillous jakkit, & my awmebling bay horse, which remane in his keping. To John, his sone, a blak trotting stag which goith at Dighton. To Richard Tarte my white sattan dublet. To every of my servandes a gymmer lame, who amountithe the nowmbre of xxx persones. I wooll that my two yongest children, Thomas & Elizabeth, be w^t^ my doughter Margaret, with thair porcions, and she shall have my take of Fulford tiethis for the findding and upbringing of my said two children, and shall mynysche noe part of yer porcons yerfor: and, furthermore, she shall yerely, during the said taik of Fulford, cause to be doyn for me ane Annyversarie w^t^ *Masse* and *Derigie* their as she dwellith, and ane other for my said wiff, hir mother, the dais of our departoures to the mercy of God. I will that my doughtour Isabell shalbe with my brother e law, William Conyers, and he to have hir feofemente goyng furth of Thomas Mounteford landes to she come to yeres of discression, and, besides that, my said brother e law shall have xx marces, or gooddes to the valow thairof, in his custodie, to be deliverd to John Mounteforde and my said doughter Isabell at yer mariage . . . according to my condicon maid with the said Thomas Mounteforde. I will that Sr John Conyers prest haye the guyding of my thre sones, Richard, Robert,

and George, w^t yer porcions, and he to bring theym up in lernyng to they may come to yere of discrescion, & then to deliver unto thame their said porcions w^tout any mynyshemente . . . I woll that my executours cause to be doyne yerely for me and my wiff during the terme of xx^ti yeres now next folowing, at my said parich church of Belfrais, within th'uties of *Corpus Christi*, ten Masses of the v Wounddis, for ather of us fyve Messes; and other ten Messes of the Visitacion of our Ladie, for ather of us v; to be doyn within the church of Belfraies; & other ij Messes of *Requiem* to be doyn for us every yere during the said xx^ti yeres at Belfrais aforesaid upon the feast of All Soullis, for the which I lymmyt to my said executours, to be taken owt of my guddes, vij li. vj s. viij d. To Sir John Conyers prest my best gowne furred with fox, my velvit doublet, a bay awmbling stage, and ane hundrith gymmer lammes. To the parson of Skelton, now being, ane awmblyng gray stag going in the Cowe clois at Rowclif; and to Skelton church, for honourmente of the crucifix their, vj s. viij d.; and to the same church ane altar cloth, which was my wiffe's mynd. To the parich church at Craik ane aulter cloth. To Belfrais' church ane aulter cloth. To Petur Welles of Skelton a bay fillie stagge. To Margaret Frost ten sheringes, or els a cow. To William Lewit, my kynsman, my swerde and my bukler, and ten yowes. Ex^rs John Conyers clarc, & my sone, Richard Smyth,* and my lord, Edmunde, abbot of the mon' of our Ladie of York, supervisour; and ever besuch his gud lordship, as my single trust haith beyn in the same, to be gud lord unto my said children.

[Pr. 21 Aug. 1525, adm. to ex^rs.]

CLXIV. THE WILL OF THOS FINDERN, ESQ., OF RADCLIFFE ON SORE.

[Reg. Test. ix. 331.]

In the name of God, Amen, the xth day of July in the yere of oure Lorde God, m^l. D.xxv^th, I, Thomas Fyndrone,†

* 11 Apr. 1533. Richard Smyth of Rowcliff hall, being in seknes, dreding deith. To be bur. within the parish church of Sanct Michaell, called the Belfray, as nygh the high where as may conveniently be sufferd. Suster Issabell S. Brother Robert S. Res. to Issabell my wiff & Thomas & Anne my childering; they ex^rs. Thomas Vavasour of Coupmanthorp gentilman, & John Jakson, my wiffe's father, supervisours. [Pr. 13 May, 1533.] (Reg. Test. Dec. & Cap. ii. 165.)

† The Finderns were a very ancient family, and have been long extinct. A few garden-flowers still bloom on the site of their ancient residence, and are called by the country-folk 'the Finderns' flowers.'

Radcliffe-on-Soar belonged to the Sacheverells, two of whom are mentioned at the close of the present will.

of Radclif oppon Sore in the Countie of Notingham, Esquier, beyng of hoole and perfitte memory, thanked be God, make my last will and testament in forme folowyng. First, I bequeath my saull to Almyghtie God, our Lady Sancte Mary, and all the Sanctes, humbly beseeching Hyme to accepte it to His mercy and grace; and my symple body to be beriede in the parishe church of Radclif oppon Sore aforsaide, byfore the ymage of the Roode, in the northe ile of the same churche, if it fortone me to dicesse there: and, if I decesse in any oyer place, than I will my saide body be beried in suche place as my executours shall thynke most conveniente, if I appoynte no place certayne therfore in my lif; and to have a conveniente stone of albastour for me and my wif. Also I will that every preist that shall saye or syng *Messe* for my saull the daye of my beriall in the church where my body shal be beried, have for ther labour iiij d.; and in likewise oppon my vijth daye; and every clerke, beyng within Orders, seyng *Placebo* and *Dirige* for my saull the daye of my saide berial in the same churche, j d. Also I will that every man, woman, and childe commyng to my beriall that will receyve dole, have an halpeny white loffe and a shiffer of chese; and, as for the wax that shal be occupied abought my herce the day of my saide beriall and vijth, and also al other costes and charges funeralles, I will they be ordered, maide, and downe by the advice and discretion of my executours, or the more parte of them, as they shall thynke most conveniente, at my oonly costes and charges. Also I hertely require my executours that they contente and trulye paye all my dettes to every body that I am indetted to. And also that they recompense all maner of persones that I have hurted or wronged in any maner of wise in al the hast they conveniently can or may after my decesse, accordding as they shall see cause resonable after theire discretions. Also I will that my saide executours shall bargeyne and sell at theire pleasours frome tyme to tyme all my goodes and cattalles, as well moveable as unmoveable, and with suche sommes of money as they shall take and receyve for the same that they shall make my funeral expenses, and also contente and paye al my dettes, and recompense the forsaide hurtes and wronges; and if my saide goodes and cattall will not extende therto, then I will my executours shall receyve and take all the reveneus and profittes of all my purchased landes in Darlye, Reppyngden, and Aschebe de la Sowche in counties of Derbye and Leicestre, unto suche season as they have perceyvyd and takyn of the isshues and profittes of the same all suche summes of money as my forsaide goodes and cattall lake and wante of the full contentacion and payment of

my saide funerall expenses, paymentes of my dettes, and recompensing of the forsaide hurties and wronges, and every of them; and, that done, I will that the isshues and profittes of the same purchased landes goo yerely to the maynteynyng of Divine service at my newe chapell in Potloke for ever. Also I bequeath to the releyve of the church of Radclif appon Sore aforsaide a cowe. Item I bequeath to Agnes Hussy, to pray for my saull, a cowe on calf, a yowe and a lame, a pare of shake downe sheittes, a borde clothe of the same, a new coverlett, half a quarter of malte, and a bushell of wheate. Item I bequeath to William Bowman, to pray for my saull, my baye rackyng geldyng, a saddill and a bridell. Item I bequeath to the Convente of Reppyngden, to pray for my saull, and to doo Divine service for me as they shall thinke most expediente, vj s. viij d. Item I bequeath to the releyve of the church or chapell of Fyndron, to praye for my saull, a heffour in calf and ij yeres of age and more. Item to the releyve of the church of Willington, to pray for my saull, a quarter of malte. Item I bequeath to John Lacy, to praye for my saull, the cowe that cam frome Keigworth, and annuitie or annual rente of viij s., yerely goyng oute of the maner of Long Sitone in the counte of Derby, nowe in the holdyng of Johne Pyne, duryng suche termes as I have in the same, and to be paid yerely at the festes of Sancte Michaell and th'Annunciation of oure Lady by evyn porcions; and, for defalte of paymente, to entre and distreyne. Item I gyve and bequeath to George Findron, my sone and heire apparente, God's blissing and myne, chargyng hym opon my saide blissing that he doo his diligence that this my saide last will and testament may be performed withoute delaye; and to th'entent he shall the rather so do, I gif and bequeath to hyme my fetherbed, bolster, and coveryng nowe lyeng on the parlour bede at Radclif, and all my harnes, bothe breggoners, gestrons, jackes, salettes, splentes, bowes, arowes, billes, and other harnes; and, forther, I will that the saide George have any of my householde stuf opon a resonable price by the oversight of my executours, or the more parte of them, if he desire the prefermente therof, or it be sold; and also will make rede paymente for the same, or els note. Also I bequeath to ychon of my god childer dwelling within the parishe of Radclif aforesaide, to pray for my saull, a lambe. Also I bequeath to the house of the Freres Austyns of Leicetour, to pray for my saull, a quarter of malte, and a ronte stere. Also I will that my saide executours contente and paye to the churche wardons of Saddington in the countie of Leic' that I owe to theire common box for a crosse clothe and a bull seg (while) I dwellid there, x s., and if

the saide churche wardons theire thinke in theire consciencie thay ought to have more, I will my executours agrey with them. Also I bequeath to Sir Thomas Wynter, vicar of Radclif opon Sore aforsaide, to praye for my saull, iij quarters and a half of blake carsaye, half a quarter of malte, a bushell of rye, a blake buttond bonnett, and a tawne saddill. Also I will that if my executours, or oversears, or any of them, be putto any costes or charge for the performacion of this my last will and testament, the same costes and charges shalbe takyn and borne of my oonly goodes and cattalles. Item I bequeath to William Briges a rouned colte and a quarter of corne, my fustyan dublett, my peticotte, and a paire of hoise that I ware daylye. Item I bequeath to my doughtour Mary my best kerchef, and to Agnes Hussy the secunde kerchef. Item I bequeath to Richard Lathebere a blake stalkyng mare which is in the handes of Roberte Fyndron. Item I bequeath to the same Roberte Findron, in recompense therof, my blake balde felye and hir fole. Also I order and make my sone George Fyndron, my cousyng Rauf Sachferell, and my cousyng, John Crewker, my executours, hertely requiring them to be lovyng to my saull, and to se this my last will performed withoute delaye, as my especiall trust is in them. And also I make Sir Richard Sacheferell and Sir Henry Sacheferell knyghtes supervisours of this my saide will, besechyng them to be lovyng and kynde to my soule, and to my poore childer, and that they will aide and supporte my saide executours in all causes resonable concernyng the performation and execution of this my saide will, and every article conteyned in the same. Also I will that all suche costes and charges that my executours, and every of them, shall susteyne or lay done for the performacion of this present will, or any thyng concernyng the same, be at my oonlye costes and charges. In wittenes wherof Sir William Browne prior of the Aynstens Freres in Leicetour, Sir Thomas Wynter vicar of Radclif aforsaid, Sir William Mannsfeld preist, James Else, John Ade, John Pyne, William Howett, Bartrame Marley.

[Pr. 12 Oct. 1525 & adm. to ex^rs.]

CLXV. THE WILL OF JOHN HENRYSON, ALDERMAN OF HULL.

[Reg. Test. Ebor. ix. 328.]

Sept. 14, 1525. John Henryson, th'elder, Alderman of the Kynge's towne upon Hull, beyng in good mynde and perfitte remembrance, thanked be God. To be beriede in the southe

ile within the churche of our Lady. Also I bequeath for my corce prisaunte my best gowne. I gif also to the Blissid Sacramente, for oblacions and tithes forgettyn, vj s. viij d. Item I gif to the church warke of our Lady xx s. Also I will that when the money that is owyng to me in Fraunce for the Peter (come in), that then my executours shall cause a cope to be maide to the valour of xxx^{li}, and it to be gyven to our Lady church for a memoriall. Also I will that my executours shall cause a case of velvett to be maide for the Blisside Sacramente, to hang over the hye altar. Also I gif x li. to be gyven to x madyns to ther mariages, that is to say, to every on of them xx s., to be delyvered to them vj dayes or they be maried. I will also that my chaplayne, Sir Thomas, shall have a fether bede, ij sheittes, and a coveryng to the same. I gif also to my suster Agnes, of Hedon, xl s., and to the litle lady withe saide Agnes iij li. vj s. viij d. at the sight of John my sone. Also I gif to William Heryson, the carver, at the next comyng of the hulkes oute of Danske, a c wayne scottes, oppon his good aberyng, at the sight of my sone John. Also I gif to William Haryson, the taliour, xx s. I gif also to Isabell Haryson, William Haryson is moder, the carver, xx s. . . . To Rauf, my servaunte, my werke day gowne, doblett and jackett. To Roberte Biston my rydyng gowne. To Thomas Haiborne, my apprentice, vj s. viij d. To my son John all my astate . . in certeyne closes, tenementes, & pastours within the lordeshipe of Miton . . and my tenementes in the Hye Strete, with a grete siler bowndyng next to Cristofer Lurte . . also my oile mylne, with the garthyng, with all the cisternes of leede that I have, and all my horses and meires. I will that John, my sone, shall paye, or cause to be paide, yerely to Agnes, my wif, xxvj s. viij d., for the terme of hir lif. I will also that by the provision of my sone a parte of my landes shalbe bound to fynd an obite in oure Lady churche for ever, to pray for my saull, my fader saull, my moder's, my wife's saulles, and all Cristen saulles, and therfore to pay yerely iij s. iiij d. Also I will that Agnes, my wif, and John, my sone, whome I make full executours of this presente testamente and last will, shall fynd a honest preist, to syng for my saull and all Cristen saules by the space of ij yeres, and the saide preist to have yerely v li. for his wages; and the said preist to be redy at all seasons to helpe to maynteyne the serves of God in the church of oure Lady aforesaide. I will also that John, my sone, shall delyver to Agnes, my wif, half the oile that shalbe maide of the sede that I have of this yere, and she to bere half the costes and charges therof. Also I gif to aither of the houses of the Freres iij s. iiij d. The rest . . to

my wif & son John, & I make Sir Thomas Lymbeden, parishe preist of our Ladye churche, and William Thewe of Hedon, supervisours opon this my presente testamente. Hiis testibus, me, Thoma Lymden, indigno curato, Johanne Browne mercatore, et Jacobo Johnson, cum ceteris astantibus, ut Johanne Cokett.

[Pr. 11 Mar. 1525–6.]

CLXVI. THE WILL OF JOHN NORMAN, ALDERMAN OF YORK.

[Reg. Test. ix. 327].

Nov. 13, 17th Hen. VIII. (1525). John Norman,* citizen and alderman of the citie of Yorke. To be beried in the mydde parte of the church of All Sanctes upon the Payment, as nye unto the body of my late welbelovyd wif, Jane Norman, as is possible. To Sir George Richardson, my curate, my best garment for my mortuary, & xxvj s. viij d. for my tithes, as any tyme hertofore unpaide, or oblacions forgettyn. To xiij olde men, for beryng xiijth torches at the day of my beriall xiijth white gowne. I will that xiiijth pounde of wax shal be burnyd then over my herse, & that the same day their shalbe gyven to poore people ob. dole, to pray for my saull. I will that my ex^{rs}, the viijth day next aftir my beriall, or as nye theroppon as they can be in conveniente redynes, shall cause a solenne *Dirige* and *Messe* of *Requiem* to be doyne within my parishe church for my soulle, and to gyve to every preist of the saide parishe, beyng then & there present, xij d.; and to the maister of Corpus Christi gilde, beyng there likwise present, other xij d.; and to every keper of the same gilde vj d.; and to all other preistes, helpyng and maynteynyng God service with in the saide church that daye, iiij d.; and to every parishe clerke iiij d.; to every under clerke ij d.; to every childe of the saide parishe,

* He was a son of John Norman, Sheriff 1490–1, and was adm. to his freedom in 1503; Chamberlain 1512; Sheriff 1514–15; on Jan. 12, 1516–17, he was elected alderman, to the great displeasure of the king, whom he seems to have offended, and who discharged him from his office on March 26. He was re-elected alderman in Jan. 1520–1, and was chosen M.P. for the city in Feb. 1522–3, and Lord Mayor in 1524.

In 1501 he was adm. into the Merchants' Guild, of which he became constable in 1507 and master in 1515 and 1516. He and Catherine, his wife, joined the Corpus Christi Guild in 1512. (Reg. of Guild, 175.)

John Norman was thrice married, his last wife being Anne Birley of Gateforth. Their marriage licence, dated Jan. 2, 1524–5, is in Wolsey's Register (*f.* 80). From him descends the Visitation family of Norman of Gateforth and Burton Salmon.

The will is full of pious and charitable bequests

helpyng to do divine service, j d. I woll that ther shalbe burned xiiij li. of wax over my herce that same day. To xiij olde men xiijth blake gownes, to pray for my saide saull; and also for beryng of xiijth torches the same eightyn daye with the above named xiij olde men on white gowne. I will that my ex^{rs} make ob. dole to poore people the saide daye. More over I will that my ex^{rs} shall make a worshipfull dynner to my breder aldermen of the saide citie, and to my sisters ther wifes, and to such other worshipfull & honeste persones as they shall thynke best to have there. Forthermore, I will that my executours, the day xijth monethes after my saide beriall, or as nye theroppon as they can be in a conveniente redynes, shall make like expenses for the helthe of my saull, accorddingly as they shall doo at the saide eightyn daye, savyng oonlye that they shall gif non gownes then; and as tochyng all other piety and necessary expenses to be then maide & had, I referre it to the discretion of my ex^{rs}. To the Graye Freres of the said citie, to praye for my saull, and for beyng at my beriall, xiij s. iiij d. To the other iij orders of Freres, to praye & doo for me likewise, xx s. I will that my ex^{rs} shall cause a thrughe of marble to be laide opon my grave, & theropon the ymage of a man and iij women ymages with scripture to be gravyn in the same stone & thrugh. To the ankores of Bishophill of Yorke, to praye for me, iij s. iiij d. To the poore beadmen of of the Trinitie haull in Yorke, Use brig, Sancte Cristofer house, and Sanct Antony house, vj s. viij d.; to every house xx d.; & to every poore beade house of the saide citie xij d., to pray for my saull. To the prisoners of the citie iij s. iiij d.; to the prisoners of Yorke castell iij s. iiij d. To the Chamberlayne iiij li. to be emploied for the common well of the citie; that is to saye, xl s. towards the reparacion of the common staithe, & xl s. towardes the amendyng of the Kynge's hye waye aboute Sanct Nicholas churche, agaynste th'est ende, withoute Walmegate Barre. I will that my ex^{rs} have xl marc to purchase a yerely anuytie of xl s. furth of some religiouse house, or els xl s. land by yere, towardes the supportacion & mayneteynyng of a certayn chauntre founddit within the saide parishe church in the honour of God, Sancte John, & Sancte Katerine, wherof Sir William Symson preist is nowe chaplayne; and for the whiche xl s. by yere soo annexed . . . the same Sir William and his successours shall daylie praye for my saide saull, the saulles of John * &

* A younger son of John and Isabel Norman of New Malton. He was free of the city in 1469; Chamberlain 1487; Sheriff 1490–1; Master of the Merchants' Guild 1496.

On June 30, 1497, Agnes his widow adm. to his effects (Reg. Test. v. 497). She died in 1533 and was buried at All Saints near her husband.

Agnes, my fader & moder, the saulles of Kateryne, Jane, & Anne, my laite wifes, the saulle of Maister Richarde Wiott* clerke, & for the saulles of all my benefactours & all Cristen saulles, in sayng within the forsaide churche dailie the Psalmes of *De Profundis*, & *Miserere* Psalme; &, aftir thies sade, to cast holy water opon my saide grave; provided also aye that if the sade parishynners & churchwardyns herafter do refuse & will nott permitte my heires to presente the clerke unto the saide chauntre, at every secunde vacacion, by reason of my saide gifte, then the xl s. by yere to be emploied in other deides of charitie & almes. My ex^rs shall fynd an honeste & discrete preiste to syng for the saide saulls at Sancte John altar within my sade parishe church, the space of iij yeres next after my departour forth of this transsitory world, & they to pay hym yerely v li. To Agnes Norman, my moder, to pray for me, xiij li. vj s. viij d. To Antony Norman, my sonne, & his lawfull heires, my messuages, lands, etc, in Yorke, the towne & borowe of Ripon, & Dancastre . . . then to George Norman, my eldest sone. To my son Antony c li.; & Myles Newton & my broder, Sir Thomas Norman, to have the custodie & tuycion, indifferently, of the saide Antony, & also of Anne Norman, my doughtour, & ther porciones. To George Overend & Isabell his wif, my sister, x marc. I pardone unto William Maxwell & my sister, his wif, al such dettes as they owne me. To Mawde, my sustir, iij li. vj s. viij d. To John Tankerd, my apprentes, xx s. Ex^rs George † my sonne, Jane & Anne my doughtours, Sir Thos Norman & Miles Newton. To the same Sir Thomas for his payne x li., & x li. to Miles Newton.‡ My broder, John Thorneton,§ & my broder, John Rasyng ‖ alderman, supervisours, to whome I gif xx marc.

[Reg. Test. Ebor. ix. 327.]

* Precentor of York 1519–22, and a brother of Sir Henry Wyatt of Allington, co. Kent. By his will, dated July 8, 1522, he leaves 100 marks to Joan, dau. of Mr. John Norman, alderman of York, towards her marriage.

† On Jan. 16, 1528–9, the curate of Rothwell had a licence to marry Geo. Norman, par. A. S. P., and Alice Lee, par. Rothwell; banns once. (Test. Ebor. iii. 375.)

‡ Son and heir of John Newton of Thorpe, near Ripon. Town Clerk of York, elected 1519, and made free of the city in that year. He died in 1550. He married Rosamond Roos of Ingmanthorpe.

§ Merchant; free 1504; Chamberlain 1505; Sheriff 1508–9; elected alderman 1510–11; Lord Mayor 1514. He was eldest son of Richard Thornton, Lord Mayor in 1502.

‖ A son of Thos. Rasyng of New Malton, and a merchant in York. Free 1499; Chamberlain 1513; Sheriff 1515–16; alderman 1522. He married Joan, d. John Norman. She remarried Wm. Harrington.

CLXVII. THE WILL OF JOHN BOSWELL, ALIAS SMITH, OF SHERBURNE.

[Reg. Test. ix. 344 *a*.]

Jan. 10, 1525–6. John Boswell, alias Jenkyn Smyth, of Shereburne in Elmete. To be beried in the parishe churche of Alhalowis in Shireburne, in the midle ale, afore the Rode. To my mortuary, my best beast, after the costome of the same churche. To the hie altar, for my tithes necligently forgottyn or witholdyn, xx d. To Sancte Peter of Yorke, our moder churche, vj d. To the Rode light in the parishe churche of Shirburne iij s. iiij d. To the light in our Lady chapell there xx d. To the fyndyng of a serge afore the Rode in the same churche, half a quarter of barle. To the iiij Orders of Freres within the citie of Yorke, to pray for my saull, and to everichon of the same Orders a wyndle of wheate, or the price therof. To the churche of Shereburne, for a baner clothe with the ymage of our Lady and on crosse of Sancte George, with other warkes in the same, as shalbe divised by the curate, churche wardyns, and my executrix, to the sum of vj s. viij d.; and if the said sum of vj s. viij d. will not make it the best baner in the churche, that then my executrice to lay downe iij s. iiij d. more to the sum of x s., for performacion of the same; provided that if I make it in my lif dayes, that then my executrix therof to be acquiete . . Thies wittenes Maister John Haull clerke, Sir John Taliour preist, John Boswell,* scolemaster.

[Pr. 12 July 1526.]

CLXVIII. THE WILL OF JOHN SMYTH, ONE OF THE SHERIFFS OF THE CITY OF YORK.

[Reg. Test. ix. 359.]

In the name of God, Amen, the xixth daye of February, the yere of our Lorde God, m^{l} d. xxvjth, I, John Smyth,† of Shupton in Galtres, of hoole mynd and good remembrance, maketh my testamente and last will in forme and maner folowyng.

* Another person of the name of Boswell, Thomas Boswell of Sherburne, made his will Jan. 26, 1526–7.

To be bur. in the churche of Alhallowes in Shereburne. To our Ladie light xij d. To Sancte Rooke light xij d. To Sancte Antony light viij d. Son Henry, dau. Eufamye. [Pr. 16 Feb.] (Reg. Test. ix. 358.)

† The deceased was a tanner. He was a chamberlain of the city of York in 1513. In 1526 he was elected Sheriff, but refused to serve, and retired from the city of Shipton. Margaret, his widow, remarried Robert Nonnys.

First, I bequeath my saull to God Almyghtie, to our Lady Sancte Mary, and to all the Sanctes in hevyn, and my body to be beried in oure Ladye where at Overton. Item I bequeath for my mortuary my best beast. Item I bequeath v poundes of wax, to be burned aboute my body the daye of my beriall. Item I bequeath x s. in mayne breid, to be delt to every husler in Overton parishe ob., and a q^ar in other brede. Item I bequeath to every man and woman, beyng at *Messe* the daye of my beriall, j d. Item I bequeath iij s. iiij d. in spices, and iiij s. in wyne, to be expente the daye of my beriall. Item I bequeath to Overton churche iij s. iiij d. Item I bequeath to the Vicar of Oureton iij s. iiij d. Item I bequeath to Sir Christofer Scroby xij d. Item I bequeath to Corpus Christi gilde iiij s. Item I bequeath to Sancte Petir warke xij d. Item I bequeath to Sir Robert Morwyn iij s. iiij d., and xiij s. iiij d. to said Sir Roberte to dispose in a *Dirige* to his parishynners as he thynketh best. Item I bequeath to Hery Nixon a whie that is with Bukbaroo. Item I bequeath to John Nixson vj s. viij d. Item I bequeath to Margarete, my maide, xxvj s. viij d. Item I bequeath to John Smyth x s., to be gyven hym when he commys to able age. Item I bequeath iiij li. xiij s. iiij d. to a well disposed preist to syng for my sall, my fader sall, and my moder sall, Sir Edmond Baxter sall, and all Cristen salles, a hoole yere. Item I bequeath to John Bukebaroo vj s. viij d. Item I bequeath my house in Yorke to Margarete my wif for terme of hir lyve, and she stand nede to sell it to helpe hir with all; and, if she stand non nede, I bequeath it to Thomas, my son, and to the heires of his body lawfully begotten; and if he dye afore his moder, I will the said house be sold, and the money to be disposed after the discretion of my wif. Item I bequeath to every awnte sone of myne a silver spowne, and my awntte's doughtours a silver spowne. Item I bequeath to Margerete, my wif, al maner of insight within my place at Shupton, and all my plate. Also I bequeath to Thomas, my sone, in recompense of the said insight and plate, ij gelde nowte and iij stages. Item I bequeath to Margarete, my wif, an amblyn maire. Item I bequeath iiij li. to my wif, to make a thwelmonthe daye with all, as she thynkes best. Item I bequeath to James Wigan my white furred gowne. Item I bequeath to William, my servaunte, a bukskyne cote, and a pare white hoise. Item I bequeath to the iiij Orders of Freres of Yorke iiij s. Item I bequeath to Roberte, my boye, a lambe, or xij d. Item I bequeath to the recordes of my will, ichon of them, iiij d. Item I bequeath to ichon of them that berethe my body to the churche iiij d. Item I bequeath the

reversion of Shupton hall, that I have taken for yeres, to Margarete, my wif, and Thomas, my sone. Item I bequeath to Peter Jacson of Yorke, marchaunte and alderman, xxx s. And I will that he be supervisour of my will. The residue of al my goodes, my dettes and funerall expenses fully paid, I bequeath to Margarete, my wif and Thomas, my sone, whome I make my executours. Wittenesseth Thomas Parkynson, William Gilburne, Thomas Dixson, and other.

[Pr. 12 March 1526-7.]

CLXIX. TESTAMENTUM DOMINI ROBERTI WILDON, CAPELLANI PAROCHIALIS DE KIKRBY MORESHED, AC DECANI DE BUCROS.

[Reg. Test. ix. 366.]

In the name of God, Amen. The first daye of the moneth Marche, the yere of oure Lorde God m[l] d. xxvj[th], I, Roberte Wildon, preist, perfitte and constante of reason, maketh and ordineth my testament and last will in forme folowyng. First I bequeath my sall to Almyghtie God, my Redemer and Saviour, to His gloriouse mother, Mary, and to all and singler the holye company in hevyn, and my bodie to be beried within the churche or churche yerde of Alhalows of Kirkby Moreshed, or where is the pleasour of God. Also I bequeath my best whike good for my mortuary according to the lawe. Item I will ther be celebrate the daye of my beriall a hoole trentall, if so mony may be had, if not, the residue to be supplied as shortely as can be. Item I will the daye of my beriall at *Dirige* and *Messe* every parishe clerke have ij d., and every scolar with rochett j d. Item I bequeath to Sir William Cowper, dene of Ridale, a golde ryng. Item to Thomas Tippyng iij s. iiij d. Item to Sir William Watson a worsett dublett and a chamlett jerkyn, my Portas, and suche other bookes as he likes. Item to Ric' Richardson a doo skyne dublett. Item to Jenett, my hospes madyn, a coverlett. Item to Sir Roberte Milner of Stayngrave a sercenett tippett beyng in the retyne of my maister the vicar. Item to every of the Orders of Freres of Scardeburgh xij d. Item to the howse of Sancte Roberte of Knaresburgh xij d. Item I will ther be done at Settryngton *Dirige* and *Messe* after my dethe, and the persone to have xij d. and every preist vj d. Item to Ric' Walker iij s. iiij d. Item I bequeath my velvett hode to the churche of Kirkby Moreshed, to make a corporax. Item I bequeath to Gilberte Richardson and his wif all other goodes, moveable and unmoveable, for good trust I have in them, and

to pray for my sall. Item I will that the said Gilberte and his wif gyve unto Emote ther doughtour at the daye of hir mariage, if she lyve therto, xx s. Item to Peter Chamer my russett bonnet. Item I will that all suche dettes as is owyng to me be taken and distribute for the well of my sall. Item I will that all suche wages as the vicar doith owe me, I will that it be takyn and distribute for the well of my sall. The residue of my goodes, my will fulfilled and dettes paid, I witto executours of my will, Gilberte Richardson and his wif. Wittenes herof Sir William Watson, Maister Thomas Lepton, Nicholas Foster, and Thomas Hawkriges.

[Pr. 10 Apr. 1527.]

CLXX. THE WILL OF JAMES CARR.

[Reg. Test. ix. 349.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. I, James Carre,* of hoole mynde and will, make my last will and testamente after this maner.

* The Carrs of Thornton were a branch of the Carrs of Stackhouse, &c., in Craven. The testator uses some Latin words in a curious way. If this was all he knew of that language his knowledge was small.

July 5, 1509. Thomas Kar, vicarius de Santon. Sep. infra cancellum eccl. de S. in parte boriali ex opposito cornu altaris, juxta parietem. Ecclesiæ de S. unum calicem arg. et xx oves matrices ad sustentandum obitum. Ecclesiæ de Gigleswick unum calicem arg. ut oretur pro anima mea, et parentum meorum, diebus Dominicis. Fratribus juxta Westwod Beverlaci j bibliothecam. Roger & James, my brothers. Sisters. Cristabellæ Kar, mecum commoranti, x li. Roberto, fratri meo, j librum voc. Maudlay Sermons, & meum Portale. Dom. Adam K. Sister Alice. Uxor Thomæ K. quondam de Setill & Marjeria filia. Willelmo K., mecum commoranti, quasdam terras. To Thos s. of James K., my bro^r, lands in Stockton on the Moor. Dan Robert Kar vicar of Weighton, Dan Adam K. curate of South Cave, etc. ex^rs. (Pr. 7 Nov. 1509.) [Reg. Bainbridge, 136.]

March 26, 1528. James Car. To be bur. in the churche of Gigleswike of the holie & blissed Virgyn Sancte Alkild. To our Ladie gilde, if it go forward, vj s. viij d. To our Ladie howse of Appilby xij d. Richard, my son, 5 s. land at Settell. Thos Car my son. Res. to son Richard, he ex^r, & Dane Chr Car, my son, supervisor. The title of my farmehold to Thos my sone. (Pr. 29 July 1528 adm. to ex^rx.) [Reg. Test. ix. 406.]

July 20, 1549. Thomas Carr of Staykus. Bur. church of Gygleswek. I will every prest beyn at my bereall & prayng for my soull, etc., have iiij d. a peysh & theyr denar at Saylbanke wyffe's or in Sr Thomas chamer, w^t ij or iij honest men w^t theym, yff they pleysh. Ranold Karr my unkyll son. I wyll y^t Ch^r Thornton & Adam, my son, shall have my brother's chyldren & ye farmold at Langschawe. To Adam, my son, my lands in Hold Wenyngton, Lawkland, & in Gygleswek & Settyll. Son Jamys Carr a house at Wold in Sutton & a ten^t in Staykus. I wyll y^t ye mazer & iiij sylver spones remayn heyr (lomes) styll, & Adam not to mell w^t theym, &, yf Jamys wyll schyff an arke & a almerye, then shall he have all other husbandrey stoyffe y^t is heyre w^t arke & almery. Res. wife Kath. & son Adam. [Taken from a copy of the original, kindly lent to me by Mr. Wm. Carr of Gomersal, the present representative of the family.]

First, I bequeath my saull to God, oure Ladie, and to all the Sanctes in hevyn, and my bodie to be beried in the churche of Sancte Oswalde of Thorneton besides my wif. And also I gif to the church of Thornton for suche use as is most necessarie by the churche maisters, *et*, specialy, to amending of the steple wyndoos, xx s. And, also, I will that at my beriall there be xiij prestes to syng for me, and to have every on of them, iiij d., and theire dyners, and my best beast to be my mortuary. And I will that my wiffe's moneth daye and myne bothe be kepte, and v preistes to syng for aither of us that daye, and everychon of them to have iiij d., *et* theire dynars; *aut* at the yere's ende aither of us to have xiijth preistes acordyng as at oure berialles. And I will that every poore house within the parishe, at th' advise of my sone, have iiij d., to pray for me. And I gif to Thorneton, Ereby, and to Kelbroke, every towne, a bull marked after my bulle, so that my sone shall alwaye, when he decayes, take in every towne a calf of the same marke for a bull, and the towne to pay resonably for hym, or els my sone to take the olde bull agayne. And I will, by th'advise of my sone, have a prest to syng for my saull a yere. And I gif John Tempest my blake jackett, and Laurence Sterkey my white fresed jackett and a nag, and to his childer; And I make my sone Emer my hoole executour and mynystre of all my goodes. And also I assigne and leve my fermehold and my tenaunte right therof in Kettilwell to my sone Emer. Thes witnes, Henry Wilkoke, Brian Staw, John Constantyne and Ric' Swyer.

[Pr. 6 Sep. 1526 adm. Audomaro Carre ex^{or}.]

CLXXI. THE WILL OF ROBERT BARRA, PREBENDARY OF YORK AND SOUTHWELL.

[Reg. Test. Dec. & Capit. Ebor. ii. 146.]

Oct. 4, 1526. Robertus Barra,* decretorum doctor, canonicus et præbendarius in ecclesiis Beati Petri Ebor. ac Beatæ

* Robert Barra was ordained Deacon at York, Apr. 6, 1482, getting his title from the priory of Cartmell. He was afterwards for some time a chantry priest and vicar choral in York Minster. On June 24, 1492, he was coll. to the vicarage of Nafferton. On Oct 8, 1498, he was coll. to the prebend of Osbaldwick at York, and on Aug. 25, 1499, to the prebend of Dunham at Southwell, resigning a stall in St. Sepulchre's Chapel. He held several livings in Yorkshire besides.

In 1527 Laurence Stubbes, writing to Cardinal Wolsey, says, 'Dr. Barrye, late residenciary of Southwell, is deceased, by whos death ther is in your collacion a prebend in York callid Osbewyk of the yerly valor of xliiij markes, & another prebend in Southwel of like valor callid Dunham; & also a parsonage

Mariæ Virginis Suthwellensis. Lego animam Omnipotenti Deo, Creatori meo, Redemptori meo, Beatæ Mariæ Virgini, et Omnibus cœli Civibus, humiliter supplicans Redemptori meo ut animam meam dignetur recipere Suæ gratiosissimæ misericordiæ tempore Sibi placabili. Lego corpus meum sep. inter Christianorum corpora infra parochiam in qua anima mea egredietur de corpore meo. Et, si moriar apud Suthwell, tunc volo quod corpus meum sepelietur ubi rectores chori in Matutinarum principio cantant *Venite*, etc. Et volo funeralia mea fieri decenter sed sine pompa, pro salute animæ meæ. Lego xxxiij s. iiij d. pro centum Missis cel. quamcitius poterunt celebrari post mortem meam pro anima mea. Lego ad ornamenta eccl. meæ S. Andreæ de Medilton xx s. Ad ornamenta eccl. meæ de Hemylsay xx s. Lego decenter expendi circa sepulcra parentum meorum xx s. Johanni Barra, fratri meo, xx s. Edwardo, fratri meo, xx s. Roberto Barra de Suthwell, nepoti meo, xl s. Roberto Barra, servienti meo, nepoti meo, v marcas. Ad ornamenta eccl. meæ præbendalis S. Petri de Donham xx s. . . Johannæ Banys, nepti meæ, uxori Johannis Banes, xx s. Roberto Barra, filio Edwardi B. fratris mei, equum cum sella. Fratri meo, Domino Jacobo Barra presbytero, omnia utensilia in domo mea apud Medilton, in sua custodia. Margaretæ, nepti meæ, relictæ Thomæ Pigge, Johannis Phillipot, et nuperrime Willelmi Meir de Newark, xx s. Fabricæ eccl. coll. B. M. Suthwell xl s. Uxori Roberti Cade de Newark, consanguineæ meæ, unum cocliar argenteum deauratum quod prius dederat mihi. Edwardo Barra, scolari, nepoti meo, si vult fieri presbyter, x li. et omnes libros meos grammaticales, legales, et Cursum Juris Canonici, cum Domino Abbate super Decretalibus, si velit leges vel jus canonicum addiscere, aliter non. Domino Johanni Episcopo Elphinensi et Abbati de Welbek meum optimum coopertorium lecti et sex optima pulvinaria mea. Residuum executoribus meis . . pro salute animæ meæ, sicut vellent me pro eis bona sua disponere. Executores meos facio

callid Mydilton of the yerly cler valor, as I here, of x li.' (Ellis's Letters, Third Series, ii. 62.)

June 26, 1525. Agnes Barra, wyddoo. Bur. within the chirche of our Lady of Southwell before our Ladie of grace, & my best whike good to be my mortuary. To oure Ladie warkes ij leedes that standeth in my wherne house. To Robt B. my husband best gowne, & to his wif my best gowne. I will that the xvjth vicars have my house that I dwellyn in, for iiij^{xx} yeres & xixth, and they to kepe my obite yerely. To the xiijth chauntre preistes my house called Sherebroke house. I will that the house & the grownd within the pale be maid a beade house. To the xvjth vicars vij whissyns with hertes wroght of them. To Mr Doctor Barra a chawfour. To the xvjth vicars a cressett. To our Lady warke a girdle and a paire beades of amber with silver gaudes. (Pr. 11 Nov. 1526.) [Reg. Test. ix. 351.]

rev. patrem dominum Joh. Elphinensem episcopum, et pro labore suo habebit meum optimum ciphum arg. deaur. stantem et coopertum, ad valorem iiij li.—item dom. Jacobum Barra presbyterum, fratrem meum, Robertum Barra, nepotem meum, filium fratris mei Johannis Barra, et Robertum Barra, nepotem meum, filium fratris mei Edwardi Barra . . In cujus rei testimonium ego, prædictus Robertus Barra, omnia hæc prædicta manu propria conscripsi.

[Pr. at Southwell 28 July 1527, & at York 21 Jan. 1527-8.]

CLXXII. THE WILL OF BRIAN LORD OF YORK.

[Reg. Test. ix. 368.]

Oct. 16, 1526. Brian Lorde, of the parishe of Sancte Michaell Archaungell at Use brig ende, in the citie of Yorke, marchaunte. To be beried bifore the blissed Sacrament in the hie where, and my best gowne to my mortuary. To the parsone for forgettyn tithes ij s. To Sir Henry Gelsthrope, my curate, to pray for me, xx d. To my broder, Edwarde Lorde, vj s. viij d. To my broder Edmondson, vj s. viij d. To my broder, Henry Wilson, vj s. viij d. To Sir Thomas Lorde a silver spoyne. . . I bequeath xiij s. iiij d. yerely, the terme of fyve yeres . . . to cause a *Messe* of the Holie Gost to be song within my parishe churche everye Mondaye. I bequeath yerely, duryng the said fyve yeres, vj s. viij d., . . to do an obite yerely for the helthe of my sall and all Christen saulles. To Sir Edmunde Middilton v s. To my Lady Prioresse of Clementhorpe and her susters v s. To my Lady Prioresse of Wilberfosse and her sisters vj s. viij d. . . . I bequeath xx s. to cause ij trentals of *Messes* be celebrate within my parishe churche, that is to saye every Fridaye, fyve *Messes*, whilst the said ij trentals be fynyshed. To the iiij Orders of Freres, ichon of them xx d. To the Kidcottes, and the Castell, and the Bushope prisons, iij s. to be divided emong the prisoners. I will that x s. be geven to the neighburghes of the parishyng to make mery with all. The residue to my wif & childer. My ladie Prioresse of Wilberfosse and my broder, George Gale, supervisours. And my Ladye Prioresse to have my best horse, & my broder, George Gale, xx s. for their labours. Moreover I will that my suster, the Ladie Prioresse of Wilberfosse, shall have my doughtour Isabell with hir childe's porcion, & vj li. xiij s. iiij d. To my nece, Dame Mabell of Wilberfosse, to pray for me, v s. Broder, Sir

Thomas, I require youe for God sake to take my sone and yours, and make hym youre owne, and pray for me for God sake.

[Pr. 11 May, 1527.]

CLXXIII. THE WILL OF THOMAS HUNTINGDON, OF HULL, ALDERMAN.

[Reg. Test. ix. 382.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. The xxijth day of the moneth of Octobre, in the yere of our Lorde God m^{l} d. xxvj^{to}, I, Thomas Hunttyngdon in Kyngstone opon Hull, marchaunte, makes and ordens this my present testament and last will undir this maner and forme herafter folowing. In primis I gyve and bequeath my sall to God Almyghtie, to oure Ladie Sancte Marie, and to all the celestiall cowrte and company of hevyn, my body to be beried in the kirke of the Holie Trinitie within the towne aforsaid, and in the north ile, under a blu stone nere as I sitte, if it may please God. Item I gif and bequeath for mortuary my best garment, accordyng to the custome of the kirke. Item I gif and bequeath to the White Freres, for *Dirige* and *Messe* of my beriall day and vijth daye, vj s. viij d. Item I gif to the Blake Freres, they to do in like maner *Dirige* and *Messe*, vj s. viij d. Item I gif and bequeath to a preist to syng for my sall, and my first wif sall Jenet, and all Cristen salles —. Item I gif and bequeath to the Freres in Pontefracte xx s., and they to do for my sall *Dirige* and *Messe*. I gif and bequeath to Sancte Oswalde's xx s., and they for to do for my sall *Dirige* and *Messe*. Item I gif and bequeath to Pontefracte abbay for *Dirige* and *Messe* for my sall, and, for God saike, xiij s. iiij d. Item I gif to Pontefracte parishe kirke with Sancte Giles chapell, for *Dirige* and *Messe*, xiij s. iiij d. Item I gif to the Trinite's in Pontefracte, for *Dirige* and *Messe*, v s. Item I gif to Chyppyn kirke, where I was cristened, for reparacion of the kirke, xx s. Item I gif and bequeath for amendyng of the wayes aboute Pontefracte vj s. viij d. Item I gif to amendyng of the wayes aboute the towne of Hull vj s. viij d. Item I gif and bequeath to my broder doughtour that is with me xx s. Item I gif to Margarete Bower, my servaunte, iij s. iiij d. Item I gif to Agnes Thomson, that was my servaunte, xiij s. iiij d. Item I gif and bequeath my grownde that I have taken of the towne in the Tripett for lxxx yeres, if my masters be so good to me, for of my conscientie it is my dere take, to my wif, and she

to doo for me and for my first wif sall, Jenet, and for my wif sall that nowe is, ons in the yere *Dirige* and *Messe*, and for all Cristen salles. Item I gif for *Messe* and *Dirige* at Pontefract in the Freres for my sall, and for my moder sall, and my wif Jenet sall, and all Cristen salles, iij acr' land at Sancte Thomas Hill, and ij acres land on the Chekers in the tenure of my sone Roberte Hunttyngdon, and thies landes to be maide sure to the Freres, if my frendes will, and Roberte Hunttyngden, if he be good therto, he shall have my daile blissyng. Item I will that the belman goo with the hand bell for Richard sall, and Margarete, and for Thomas sall, and Jenete's, and for all Cristen salles, and he for to have yerely for his labour ij d. Item I gif to Henry Tiffyn ij s. Item to John Barbour ij s. Item to John Blake ij s. Item I gyve to John Billope ij s. Item I gif to Rauf Hosier ij s. Item to Thomas Sadlar wif ij s. Item I gif to my doughtour Dorothe my litle cremysen gowne. Item I gif to fader John, every Sondaye whilst he lyveth, j d. of my parte of goodes. Item I gyve to Henry Dyneley my cremysen gowne furred with fitches. Item I gif to Roberte Hunttyngden my cremysen gowne lyned with sarcenett. The residue of all my goodes undisposed I gyve and bequeath to Jenet my wif and to Ambrose my sone, whome I make my full executours, and they to dispose for the health of my sall as they thinke best. And I make supervisours of my said will my ij sonnes, Henry Dyneley and Cristofer Hunttyngdon. Thies wittenes Roberte Benyfeld, John Haryson, Sir Thomas Peith, and Sir Thomas Grene.

[Pr. 7 Nov. 1527.]

CLXXIV. THE WILL OF CECILY LEPPINGTON OF BEVERLEY.

[Reg. Test. ix. 377.]

Dec. 12, 1526. Cecilie Lepyngton, of Beverlai', wyddo.* I bequeath to Almyghtie God, and to His blissid mother our Lady Sancte Marie, and to all the celestiall courte of hevyn, my sall, my body to the kirke or chapell of Sancte Marye in Beverlay, there besides the grave of my husband last departed to be beried. Also I bequeath to the said kirke my best oversee bed called the Baptest os an ornament to the sepulcre of

* Mar. 14, 1527–8. William Jenkynson of Cottyngham. To have *Messe* of *Requiem* with diacon and subdiacon with a solempne *Dirige* and the *Suffragie* song at my grave with seall as the *rubrica* shewith. I bequeath, to be praid for every Sondaye in the beide rolle when common beades ar reherced, xiij s. iiij d.

oure Saviour Criste Jhesu at the fest of Ester. Also I bequeath and gyve to the altar of our Blissid Ladie in same kirke a silver salt, to make of it a chales to belong to the forsaid altar. Also I bequeath and gyve to the shryne of Sancte John of Beverlay my brod girdle of blewe, & in money vj s. viij d. To the iiij massendewes w'in the towne of Beverlay, ichon of them xij d.

[Pr. 5 Oct. 1527.]

CLXXV. THE WILL OF ROBERT PETY OF YORK, TAPITER.

[Reg. Test. ix. 420.]

May 29, 1527. Roberte Petie,* par. Sancte Dionise, Yorke, tappeter & alderman. To be ber. in my par. churche bifore the altar of Sancte John Baptiste, or nye ther unto. I wit to a preist that can syng his plane song, to syng within Sancte Dionisce church by the space of ij yeres for my sall, Beatrice & Alice my wif salles, of my fader & moder and al Cristen salles, xiij mark. To Sir Roberte Pety a silver spone callid Peter. To Sir Wm Buckebarowe a silver spone called Paull. To the parishyngers of Sancte Dionisie 13*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* to by a silver crosse to the honour of Almyghtie God within Sancte Dionisie kirke with all for ever more. To Sir Christofer Petie sex silver spones with knopis of oure Ladie, a standyng pece parcell gilt, a standyng macer & fyve marc. To Urswike kirke, where I was borne, 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* To the kirkewardyns of Sancte Dionise 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* to a sute of vestymentes. Res. wife Alice.

[Pr. 10 Dec. 1528.]

CLXXVI. THE WILL OF THOMAS RYTHER OF RYTHER, ESQ.

[Reg. Test. ix. 405.]

July 1, 1527. Thomas Rither of Rither, Esquear.† To be beried in the parishe churche of Rither nye unto my fader, with a *tumba* conveniente, as shalbe thought by my executours, and my best whike good to be my mortuary. To the parsone for

* Chamberlain of York 1496; Sheriff 1499–1500; elected alderman 1526–7. He was brother of John Petty, glazier and alderman, whose will has been already printed.

Robert Petty's widow remarr. Henry Dayson, dyer and alderman, and died in 1554, desiring in her will to be buried at St. Dennis, near her first husband.

† The will of the father of the testator, Sir Ralph Ryther, has already been printed in this volume, pp. 125–7.

tithes forgettyn xl s. I will that the daye of my beriall ther be *Messe* and *Dirige* for my sall in the churche of Rither, and every preist to have vj d.; every clerke ij d.; and every poore bodie j d. Where William Percy knyght & other his cofeoffes herto afore was enfeoffed by Sir Rauf Rither, my fader, decessid, Oct. 7, 3rd Henry VIII, . . to the use and behove of Dame Matilde, late wif unto the said Sir Rauf, for terme of hir lyve of the maners of Kelcottes & Alford co. Lincoln . . than, to the use of the said Sir Rauf & of his heires for ever, whose heire I is . . . the said maners to the use of my executours duryng the tyme they shall have receyved a thowsand markes. Also I will that my executours with the said sum of one thousand markes shall purchase landes and tenementes to the yerely valour of xl markes over all charges to the establissyng and foundyng of iiij beademen and on beade woman at Rither for ever, to pray for the salles of me the said Thomas, Sir Rauf my fader, and my moder, and all other my auncetours' salles, and the to have mete, drynke and clothe as shalbe thought reasonable by the discretion of my executours, and the establishment . . . of the said iiij beademen and on beadewoman to be maid . . by the discretions of my executours. Where I have enfeoffed Henry Lorde Scrope knyght & other his cofeoffes, 12 Oct. 15th Hen. VIII, in my maners of Rither, Ossyndike, Kirkby opon Wharf, Scarcrofte, Shadwell, and Stockbrig or Stokebrigefeld co. Yorke . . to suffer my ex^rs to take the ishues for xxj yeres next after my deith. Where as my fader, Sir Rauf Rider, whos sall God pardon, sufferid Henry Lord Scrope & other to recover the maner, etc, of Hornyngton by writ of entre in le post . . to the use of me & Agnes my wif & of the heires of me the said Thomas, I will that they suffer my ex^rs to take the ishues for xx yeres. My feoffes to make on astate to the yerely valour of xl s. to Richard Litster, Esquier, and attornaye to the Kyng our sovereyng lord, for terme of his lyve . . also annuities of xiij s. iiij d. to Roberte Chaloner and Walter Bradford; & of xxxiij s. iiij d. to George Thwaites, my servaunte. . . To William Levett of xxxiij s. iiij d.; to John Bynkes of xxvj s. viij d.; to Richard Trowhite of xxvj s. viij d. To John Preston of xxvj s. viij d. To William Erle of xx s. To John Fishe of xx s. To Jenet Howden, nursse to John Rither my sone, of x s. To John Holgate of xiij s. iiij d. To Adam Metecalf of xiij s. iiij d. . . Also I will that my said servauntes, as many of them as shall fortone to be of lyve at such tyme as it shall fortone my heire, who so ever it shalbe, when he shall come to full age, shall do service to my said heire, if he will accepte them with suche service as shalbe convenient for them

to do to hym. To the buyldyng of the stepils opon the churche of Rither xx li. To amendyng of hie waies aboute Rither xl s. To the mariage of poore madyns xl s. To the iiij orders of Freres in Yorke, ichon of them xiij s. iiij d., and they to sing *Messe* and *Dirige* for my sall. To the Priores and Covente of Appilton, to be delyvered emong them, xxvj s. viij d. To Dame Johan Gower x s. over and besides hir parte of the said xxvj s. viij d. Also I will that my executours shall fynd an honest prest to sing for my sall, my fader, my mother, and all my auncetours, as conveniently as maye be after my deith, in the church of Rither, for the space of xx yeres, and he to have yerely v li. vj s. viij d., and he to be orderid as concernyng his service for t'health of my sall by the discretion, and a composicion therof maide as shalbe thought by my executours. Also I will that my executours shall kepe iiij beademen and on beadewoman with mete, drinke, clothe, mansion, and al other thinges, as they have ben found in the tymes of my uncle Sir Roberte Rither, and Sir Rauf Rither my fader, and in my tyme, and they to pray as they have ben accostomed bifortyme; and so they to be keped by my executours to suche tyme as they have purchaced the said sum of xl markys landes to th'entent aforsaid. And if it forton any of the said beademen or woman to dye before the said tyme of the purchase, than I will that my executours shall put in on other beade man or woman as shortely as may be conveniently, and as oft as ther shall any of the said beademen and woman dye duryng the said tyme. To my suster, Elisabeth Rither, fyftye markes to hir mariage, if she be orderyd by my ex^rs in hir mariage. To my broder, Henry Rither, xlvj li. xiij s. iiij d. over and besides xx li. bequest unto hym by my fader. Also I will that if the landes and tenementes, the whiche my fader did yeve hym for terme of his lyve, amounte not to the sum of x li., and above al charges born, than I will that my feoffes shall make on estate to my said brother Henry of as moche landes and tenementes as shall make it up x li. over al charges and reprises. Also I bequeath to every ichon of my watyng servauntes on hoole yere wages with mete and drinke duryng on hole yere after my deith. Also I will and charges my executours to paye and discharge all maner of dettes and other charges due to be paid by my fader, Sir Rauf Rither, and me, and my said fader's Will to be performyd and fulfillid in every poynt accorddyng to the true entente of the said Will, that my executours shall yeve to the fyndyng and exhibicion of iiij scolars at the Universities, ij at Oxforth, and ij at Cambrig, duryng the terme of xx yeres imediatly after my deith, and they to have every on of them x marc by yere, to be

paid by the handes of my executours; and the scolars to be apoynted by my executours duryng the said terme of xx yeres; and ij of them to study Divinitie, and the other ij the Lawe; and if any of them shall forton to die (or) to be promoted otherwise, than I will that my executours shall alwayes putt in an other duryng the terme of the said xx yeres. And also I will that Sir John Levett, my chaplayne, shalbe on of them that shalbe found soo duryng the said xx yeres. Also I yeve to Sir John Levett, my chaplayne aforsaid, the voysome and next avodance of my personage of Rither, the whiche I am patrone of. Also I bequeath to the kirke warkes of Cawod xx s. Also I will that ther be dalt yerely duryng xx yeres to poore folkes in Cawod, yerely x s. To the kirke warkes at Fenton vj s. viij d., & to the poore, duryng xx yeres, v s., yerely. To Kirkby opon Wharf churche warkes vj s. viij d., & to the poore duryng xx yeres, v s., yerely. To the churche warkes of Bolton Percye vj s. viij d., & to the poore duryng xx yeres v s., yerely. To the poore people of Rither parish v s. yerely duryng xx yeres. To the kirke warke of Harwod x s. To the Freres of Pontefrete vj s. viij d., at they may syng *Messe* and *Dirige* for my sall. Also I will that my executours cause *Messe* and *Dirige* to be song for my sall within the parishe church of Rither yerely duryng xx yeres; and every preist that commeth to have vj d., and every clerke ij d., and poore folkes j d. and a dyner to be maid to suche as shall come. To the amendyng of Friston hie waye and caucey xl s. Also I will that my executours cause to be delt every Frideye or Saturdaye to the prisoners at Yorke, and to the poore masyndowes ther in breid duryng xx yeres, yerely, xx d., some tyme in on place, some tyme in an other, as they shall thinke most nede. Also I will that my executours cause xiij matres to be maid and all thinges that belongith xiij beddes, and they to be yeven to poore folkes beyng yong that doth marye and haith none of ther owne. Also I will that my executours shall leve unto my heire, at suche time as he shall enter to his landes, by this my will xvj oxen, iiij mares, with wayns and plouthes and all thinges therto belongyng, vj kye, the crope of the ground sowen, and the house at Rither, to be kept sufficiently repareld as it is at the hore of my deith. Also I will that my executours shall rewarde all my servauntes, the whiche is not in my will reherced, by ther discretion. Also I will that where I do owe unto Thomas Beverlay the sum of lxvj li. ix s., whiche I will that my executours shall paye to the said Thomas . . in as shorte tyme as the said sum may be conveniently leyved . . Also I will that wher as Thomas Beverlay haith by me on lease maid of and opon the maner of Stokbrigfeld,

for the ende and terme of xxiiijth (years) beryng date the viijth daye of Octobre in the xvth yere of . . Kyng Henry the viijth . . , payng yerely xvj li. xvj s. . . I will the said Thomas shall occupie the said fermehold withoute any interuption. Also I will that Charles Hedon, my servaunte, be paid all suche summes of money as I am to hym indettid, . . and enyoe all such grauntys of annuities . . . graunted by me or by my fader . . . Where Sir Rauf Rither, my fader, sufferid Henry Lord Scrope and other to receyve certen landes in Harwod callid Brigfeld, to the use of me . . and Agnes (my) wif & my heires . . my exec^{rs} shall peasably occupye the same for the tru performacion of this my entent & will. And also I will that all suche leases and grantes by me maid, or by my fader, shalbe good and effectuall, and every man to occupye ther leases and grauntes accordyng to ther yeres and tyme . . . My feoffes shall stand seased of . . my maners, etc., in the counties of Lyncoln & Yorke & in the countie of the citie of Yorke to the use of John Rither, my son, & to the heires males of his bodie lawfully begottyn; and for defalte . . to the use of my right heires . . . The residue of all my goodes . . to my broder John Aske esquyer, Wm Babthorpe, John Constable son of Marmaduce Constable, Henry Rither, Thomas Beverlay, and Charles Hedon, whome I do make my executors . . . and they to dispose it for the health of my sall; also I yeve to ichon of them my ex^{rs} byforsaid xl s. yerely for ther labour duryng the said terme of xxth yeres, over & besides ther costes & expenses . . Also I orden & make Edmunde Whalley, abbote of the monastery of our Ladie Sancte Mary withoute the walles of the citie of Yorke, Maister Brian Higdone, dene of the cath. churche of Yorke, Maister Thomas Magnus directour to my Lorde of Richmont grace, & Thomas Fairfax sarjante at the lawe supervisours . . and I desire them in the waye of charitie to se it be well and truly performyd and fulfillid, and I do yeve ichon of them a horse, of my breid, & ther costes . . Also I will that my ex^{rs} yeve xx li. to the edifyeng and foundding of on place of Freres Observauntes in Sancte John churche in Wakefeld; and, if none herafter be edified there, than to bestowe the said xx^{li} for the health of my sall. Also I will that my ex^{rs} shall make on true accompte yerely duryng the terme of xx yeres, of all the receytes and other profittes as shall come to ther handes, before my said supervisours, iij, ij, or on of them, as they will apoynte them self, within on moneth next after the yere behynd, and so yerely duryng the terme of xx yeres aforsaid. And I will that every on of my said supervisours, beyng ther at the accompte makyng, shall have xl s. by yere

during the said yeres. Thies beyng witenes, Sir Thomas Ricall parsone of Rither, Sir Richard Harpham, William Aleyne, Edmunde Makley, Johne Burgh of the Stokyn, John Burgh of the Hill, and Thomas Burgh of the Hill, with other moo.

[Pr. 25 Sept. 1528; adm. to Wm. Babthorpe sen. & Chas. Hedon exrs.]

CLXXVII. THE WILL OF DAME JANE HILIARD.

[Reg. Test. ix. 390.]

July 20, 1527. Dame Jane Hilliarde, voisse, som tyme wif of Peter Hiliarde Esquyer.* To be beriede in such place as it shall please Almyghtie God to call me unto His mercy; and my best whike good to my corce prisaunte. I will that my feoffes stand sole enfeofed in and of my lordship of Gymlyng, and in my londes & tenementes in Belley, Orome, and Beforth . . to the use of my last will . . that is for to say, Peter Hiliarde th'elder & Richard Hiliard, my sones, and Sir John Croftes preist, whome I make executours . . take of the said lordship . . . cvj li. xiij s. iiij d. to be distribute as herafter folowith in parcels; & that this my last will may be the souner and better performed, I will that my son, Christofer Hiliarde, Esquier, be supervisour, to call of the executours for performyng of the same. First I will that vij marc be yeven to Sir John Croftes prest, to syng for my soll the space of on yere next after my deith. Item to Wynestede churche x s., that is vj s. viij d. to the ile and iij s. iiij d. to the churche. To Little Cottes churche xx s. To Barnstone church vj s. viij d. To the iiij Orders of Freres, iij s. iiij d. a pece, so the Graye Freres in Grymsby be on, and the other iij places in Beverlay and Hull. To Frere Dowson iij s. iiij d. . . To my doughtour Elisabeth, for hir mariage, xl marc. To my doughtour Jane, to hir mariage, xl marc. . . . To my sone Christofer xx s., & to my doughtour, his wif, xx s. To Martyn Hiliarde and to his wif, when he settes upe house, v marc. To my sone, Peter Hiliarde, xx li. To my son, Ric' Hiliarde, vij li. To my doughtour Legerde xx s. To my doughtour Homes x s. To my doughtour Fotherby x s. To John Homys xx s. To Peter Hiliarde, the yonger, xx s. To John Hiliarde xx s. . . I will that the costys of my beriall and

* Widow of Peter Hildyard of Winestead, and one of the daughters and co-heirs of Sir Martin del See, knt. This will makes various additions to the pedigree of the family.

The testatrix had taken the vow of widowhood. Her husband died so far back as the 15th of Hen. VII.

probating of my will, and suche other charges, to be takyn of my stokke and of my goodes moveable. The residue . . to be distribute for my sall as my executours thinkes best.

[Pr. 7 Apr. 1528.]

CLXXVIII. THE WILL OF JOHN RASEN, ALDERMAN OF YORK.

[Reg. Test. ix. 383.]

Sept. 4, 1527. John Rasyng,* of the citie of York, merchaunte and alderman. To be beried within the parishe churche of Sancte Sampsony's. To the churche warke iij li. vj s. viij d. To the churche of Sancte Michael's in New Malton xl s. To every masyndewe and beadehouse within the citie of Yorke and suburbes, to every persone abyding within them, beyng beade folkes, ij d. a pece. . . To every childe of Richarde Rasyng of Malton, my broder, a silver spone. To every alderman of Yorke that helpethe to bere my bodie to the churche, xij d. To be distribute and dalte to poore people the day of my beriall, v li. I bequeath to be appensed in expenses of my xviijth daye x li. To Richard Rasyng of Malton, my broder, iij li. vj s. viij d. and my fox furred gowne. To my Lorde Abbott and Convente of Sancte Mary abbay, for doyng an obite for my sall and al Cristen salles, xx s. To my broder, Maister John Thorneton, my blake gowne furryd with blake cony. To John Shadloke, my sone in lawe, a flate silver pece that was my fader's, and my best velvett dublett. My howse that I dwell in to Johane my wif, for terme of hir life, and after hir decesse to dispose and gyve it to whiche of my iij childer that she will . . a nest of goblettes silver & gilt. To Margarete Rasyng, my doughtour, of my parte and porcion, xx li. To John Shadloke, my doughtour, a flate silver pece. To Maister Doctor Kellett a damaske jackett. To the Blissid Sacrament of oure churche of Sancte Sampsony's x s. I bequeath that I may have a preist to syng for my sall after the owre of my deith within the churche of Sancte Sampsony's a full yere, and he to have for

* Son of Thomas Rasyng, or Rasen, of New Malton. Adm. a freeman in 1499. In 1500 he entered the Merchants' Guild, and was Governor of the Company in 1521 and 1522. He marr. Joan dau. of John Norman, merchant, who remarr. Wm. Harrington, gen., in 1528.

There was a Visitation family of Rasen of New Malton.

The testator had two daughters, *i.e.* Joan, who marr. John Shadlock, Lord Mayor of York in 1552. After her husband's death she fell into great poverty, and the city in 1574 granted her an annuity of 26s. 8d.

Margaret Rasyng, her sister, died Nov. 28, 1554, and was bur. at All Saints Pavement.

his labour v li. To Thomas Rasyng, my son, of my porcion, besides his owne parte, x li. The residue to Johane my wif, Margarete and Johan my doughtours, whome I makes ex^{rs}; & Maister John Chapman of Yorke, notary, and Miles Staveley Ripon Park, gentilman, supervisours. Wittenes Maister Roberte Wilde maire of the citie of Yorke, Rauf Sympson maister of Sancte Cristofer gilde etc.

[Pr. 22 Nov. 1527.]

CLXXIX. THE WILL OF SIR NINIAN MARKENFIELD, OF MARKENFIELD, KNT.

[Reg. Test. ix. 407.]

Oct. 1, 1527. In Dei nomine, Amen. I Ninean Markynfeld,* knyght, of hoole mynde and good memory, makes my testament and last will in maner and forme foloing. First I bequeath my sall to Almyghtie God, oure Ladie Sancte Marie, and to all the Holie Company of hevyn; my bodie to be beried afore the altar of Sancte Andre in the college churche of Sancte Petir and Sancte Wilfride of Ripon. Also I bequeath to the churche of Ripon my best horse, bridell, sadle, with other

* The son and heir of Sir Thomas Markenfield of Markenfield, near Ripon, and Anne his wife, dau. of Sir John Conyers of Hornby.

Sir Ninian was one of the commanders on the English side at the battle of Flodden. He was twice married, 1st to Dorothy d. Sir Wm. Gascoigne by Margaret d. Henry Earl of Northumberland; 2nd to Eleanor d. Henry Lord Clifford by Anne St. John, cousin-german to Henry VII.

Sir Ninian died on March 25, 1527-8, leaving Thomas his son and heir, then aged 14 years and more. This Thomas marr. Margaret dau. of John Norton of Norton, Esq., and, dying on Apr. 18, 1550, left another Thomas his son and heir, then aged 17 years and nine months, with other children.

This Thomas sought refuge abroad in the reign of Elizabeth, so strong were his wishes for a change in religion and politics. He came back to England and was one of the three planners and leaders of the rising in the North in 1569. In Thos. Norton's 'Address to the Quene's Majestie's poore deceived subjectes of the North' there is a passage relating to the three. 'The residue of your doltish Captaynes, what be they? Thinke you they be men able to beare you out against the power of a Prince, all his Nobilitie, Cities, Realme, Subjectes, Frendes, and Allies? One with little witte far set (Swynborne) another in his old age weary of his wealth (Norton); an other, a runneaway with a young wilde braine tickled to see fashions' (Markenfeld).

This extract is taken from the copy in the Minster Library, York, in which Archbishop Matthew has inserted the words within brackets.

Markenfield fled abroad, forfeiting all his estates. He was living in 1593 a pensioner on the bounty of the King of Spain. He marr. Isabel dau. of Sir Wm. Ingleby of Ripley.

John Markenfield, bro. of Thos., 'very young, under 20 in 1569, was attainted onely to bring his title to his brother's lands (if he have any) to the Queen, and it was not meant he shold dye, for that he hath no land.' What a pitiful confession to make! He was pardoned in 1574 at the request of the Earl of Leicester.

apparell, accordding to the costome of the said churche of Ripon, in the name of my mortuary. Item I yeve to the hie altar of Ripon, for tithes forgettyn, xx s. Moreover I will that my feoffes . . . of all & every of my maners, landes . . . stand and be seased to the use and entent herafter ensuyng . . . And where it is so that, to my estymacion & jugement, I have maid a sufficient assurance of my maner of Romondby . . . to the use of Elinour my right welbeloved wif, for terme of hir lyve, in so moche as I being unlerned and havyng no knowlage of the lawe, and tienderly entendynge the assurance of the said maner and other the premisses in Romondby to my said wif for terme of hir lyve, I will, if the same herbifore be not sufficiently assuryd to my said wif for terme of hir lyve, and by this my testament and last will may be to hir assuryd and yeven, than I will that she shall have the same maner and all other the premisses in Romondby to hir for terme of her lyve . . . My executours . . to take leve & receyve yerely all the ishues . . of and opon my maner of Markynfeld . . . to fynd Thomas Markynfeld, my sone and here, to suche tyme the said Thomas come to his full age. And, over that, . . to receyve, leve, & take xx li. yerely of the ishues & profittes of my maner of Aymonderby . . . towardes his fynddyng to suche tyme he come to his full age of xxjth yeres. Also I will and yeve to Elynour Markynfeld, my doughtour, nowe unmaried, fyve hundreth marc . . . to be taken of my maners, etc., of Scrutton, Eryhom, Ereby, Newsome, and Unthanke . . for her mariage. Also I will that my said doughtour Elynour be ruled, maried, and ordered by Dame Elynour, nowe my wif. And, over that, I will that if it fortune the said Elynour, my doughtour, to decesse afore she be maried . . the said sum to go to Thomas my sone . . . Also I yeve to the churche warke of Ripon vj s. viij d. Also I yeve to the Abbote of Fontance and to the Covente of the same to yeve to me Absolucion, syng and say *Messe*, *Placebo* and *Dirige*, and *Messe* of *Requiem* for my sall and the salles of my auncetours, Dorothe my wif, and all Cristean salles, xl s. Also I yeve to the Mynyster of Sancte Robertes' and the Covente of the same x s., to say or syng *Messe* for my sall and all Cristyn salles, x s. Also I yeve to the Ordre of Sancte Francesce in Yorke, to pray for my sall and all Cristyn salles, x s. Also I yeve to the iij Orders of Freres in Yorke aforsaid, every on of them v s. Also I yeve to the Freres of Richmond v s. Also I yeve to the Priores of Arden and the Covente of the same, where I am founder, to pray for my sall and all Cristen salles, x s. Also I will that my executours suffre Thomas, my sone and heire, to take and

receyve all my heirelomes at Markynfeld, that is to saye all my hangynges, beddynges, pottes, pannes, ledes, napraye, pewder dishes, dublers, ewers, burdes, chares, formes, stoles, spittes, and tubbis, stepefattes, and cesternes, with all artilery belongyng to the war and mete for the same. Also I yeve to my sone, Thomas Markynfeld, on vice and Agnus of gold. Also I will my said feoffes suffre John Markynfeld of Salley to take of the profettes of my landes at Dawlebanke yerely to the valour of xl s., duryng his naturall lif. (Directions to the ex^rs to suffer the following persons to have the following annuities), Nicholas Thirkeld, xx s. of my landes & ten^tes in Gilderscrofte, where he dwelleth: Wm Markyngfeld, my uncle, xl s. out of my landes, etc., in the lordshipp of Aymonderby: George Horner of Caton xx s. of my landes, etc., in Ereholme: Wm Atkynson xl s. of my landes, etc., in Markynton & Wallerthwaite. Wm Blaxstane xx s. of my landes, etc. at Hundgate. Wm Luter xiij s. iiij d. of my landes, etc., in Ripon where he dwellith. Wm Gaille, xiij s. iiij d. of my landes, etc., in Scrutton. Richard Bleasdall xiij s. iiij d. of my landes, etc., in Scrutton: John Markynfeld, scravener, xx s. of my landes, etc., in Bushopmonketon. Chr Lyndley xiij s. iiij d. of my landes, etc., in Markynton. Wm Matho to take in his house ferme in Yngerthorpe vj s. viij d. Dame Anne Markynfeld xiij s. iiij d. of my landes, etc., in Ereholme. John Clerkeson xiij s. iiij d. of my landes, etc., in Grauntley. Roberte Kettilwell vj s. viij d. of my landes, etc., in South Stanley. Ric' Brere xx s. of my landes, etc., in Ereholme: John Hargrave xiij s. iiij d. of my landes, etc., in Bushopmonketon: & Agnes Flemyng xx s. of my landes, etc., in Bushopmonketon. My feoffes to suffre my ex^rs to receyve yerely of my maners . . . fyve poundes . . to the use of Eleynour, my doughtour, to suche tyme the said Elynour be maried, for & towardes hir fynding. My feoffes to suffer my ex^rs to receyve . . yerely of my maners . . v li. for the stipende . . of a preist to syng and saye *Messe* and other Dyvyne service for my sall, the salles of my fader & moder, Dorothe my wif, and all Cristen salles, duryng the terme of vij yeres. Also I yeve to every on of my yomen, to whome I have yeven non annuitie nor yerely rent, over and besides his wages, vj s. viij d. Also I yeve to every grome, beyng my household servaunte at the daye of my deith, over & besides ther wages, every on of them iij s. iiij d. Also I yeve to John Raner, childe of my kechyn, iij s. iiij d. . . . My feoffes to suffre my ex^rs to receyve . . v li. yerely to the use of Christofore Buke towardes his fyndyng duryng his lyve, and if the said Christofer at the age of xvij yeres do applye hym to

lerne the temporall lawe of England, or do applye any other laudable & profittable lernyng at Oxford or Cambridge, than I will that my said feoffes suffre my ex^{rs} to receyve . . other v li. yerely to the use of the said Christofer for terme of his lif. Also I will that my feofes make, seall, & delyvere a lawfull astate & graunte of ther annuities . . . to all persons . . mentioned . . so that they bere ther good mynd and favour toward my said sone and heire. Also I yeve to Dame Elynour, my wif, all my beddyng & houshold stuf within my maner of Romondby . . I orden Dame Elynour my wif, Thomas Markynfeld my sone & heire, John Markynfeld of Aysmonderby, and John Staveley gentilman, my executours. I will that Dame Elynour, my wif, have the residue of my goodes to hir owne use. . . Writyn at Markynfeld. . . Thies beyng wittenes Miles Staveley the receyver of Ripon, John Burton, Ric' Percivall gentilmen, and Sir John Haddilsay, on of the vicars of the college churche of Ripon, Sir William Thomlyngson, Sir George Newton, chaplaynes, William Atkynson, George Thakewraye, and John Markynfeld scryvener, with other moo.

[Pr. 5 July 1528, & adm. to Thos M., son & heir of the testator.]

CLXXX. THE WILL OF THURSTAN HALL OF WATH.

[Reg. Test. ix. 395.]

In the name of God, Amen. The secunde daye of Decembre, in the yere of oure Lorde God, m^{l} d. xxvijth, I Thurstane Hall,* of Waith, hoole of mynde and good of remembrance, makes this my testament and last will in maner and forme foloing. First I woll that all other testamentes by me maide in tymes past be void and anullid and of non effecte. Also I bequeath my sall to Almyghtie God, and to the gloriouse Virgyn oure Ladie Sancte Marie, and to all the holie company of hevyn, and my body to be beriede in oure Ladie where in Waithe of Alhallos, at Sancte Nicholas altar ende. Also I bequeath to the hye altar, for tithes forgettyn, xvj d. Also I bequeath to Sancte Kateryne light xvj d. Item for my mortuary my graye stoned horse. Also I bequeath all my landes, as well copiehold as freehold, to a chauntre of Sancte Nicholas founded within the

* An interesting addition to the account of Wath-upon-Dearne given by Mr. Hunter.

Thurstan Hall was a man of substance and landed estate, marrying Elizabeth, one of the daughters and co-heirs of Wm. Fleming, Esq., of Wath. Of their two daughters Catharine married Ralph Collinson, and Elizabeth, Henry Savile.

parishe churche of Waith where my bodie shalbe beried, to th'entent to fynd a preist for evermore to syng and saye divine service in the where, of the Holie daye, with notte, with on honest surples of his owne fyndyng and propre costes, and dailie to saie *Masse* at the said altar of Sancte Nicholas when he is disposed, with the *De Profundis* after the Gospell at the first lavatory, praying for my sall, my fader sall, my moder sall, my wif salles, my childe salles, and for the salles that we ar boundon to praye for, and for all Cristen salles. Also I will that all my feoffes that nowe er and standith feoffed shalbe feoffes to the use of my chauntre and performacion of this my testament and last will, as more planely doith appere by a dede of feoffament maid, sealed, and annexed unto the buke of the fondacion of my chauntre. Also I will that all they that I have maide a surrender of my copie holde landes shall stand to be feoffes to the use of my chantrie and performacion of this my testament and last will. Also I yeve the forsaid chauntre and all yt therto belongyth, both free hold and copie hold, and all that therto shalbe purchased to the performyng and profight of the said chauntre, to Sir William Mosley preist, he to have it for terme of his lif, and, after the decesse of hym, than I will that my ij doughtours, Kateryn and Elisabeth, and their heires of their bodies lawfully begottyn, shalbe the patrones and yevers of the forsaid chauntre, with all the landes and tenementes, ishues and profittes therto perteynyng and belongyng; provided alwaye that they shall, or ther heires, incontinent and imediatlye after the decesse of the said Sir William Mosley within moved, next after, shall present on honest preist, and sufficient in good condicions and lernyng, ther to syng and saye dyvyne service daylee accorddyng to the constitucion and costome of the said churche as the lawe doith require; and if the said patrones do not present w'in tyme and daye above named, I will the Priour of Burton abbay and the Covent of the same place, by ther gifte writtyn under ther Covent seale, shall yeve the forsaid chauntre with appurtenaunces to an honest preist for that tyme onlye. And if it happen the said Priour and Covent to be slake and necligent, and do not present within the tyme and space as abovesaid, than I will that gift and presentacion of the said chauntre returne to the next heires of me, the forsaid Thurstane, founder of the said chauntre. Also I bequeath to Jenet my wif x li., to dispose at hir pleasour. Item I bequeath xli. to by a ma(r)ke land to my chantre, and that marke land I will Jenet my wif have it for terme of hir lyve; and, after hir decesse, I woll it goo to my chantre. Also I bequeath to the bryngyng upe of my

bastard childe, v markes, and to the mother of the same x s. Also I bequeath vj markes to bye ij vestymentes to my chauntre, and that at belongeth therto. Also I bequeath the spryng in Alane clif to bye a chales to my chauntre. Item to Byby wif and to Elisabeth Dransfeld, aither of them iij s. iiij d. Item to Rauf Colynson and to Henry Sayvell iiij marces of Whitsandaye farme last past in the lordship of Dalton, and all my harnes, if they can salve it. Item to Rauf Colynson and Henry Saivell, aither of them xx s.; and to aither of theire wifes a cowe. Also I bequeath to everychon of my godchilder iiij d. Residue of my goodes, not gyven nor bequeathed, I yeve to Jenet my wif, whome I make my full executrix, to dispose the residue of my goodes as shalbe divised by the counsell, mynd, and advisament of Maister deyne of Doncastre, and Maister Thomas Strey, and Thomas Wod, whome I make my supervisours, to se that this my said testament and last will be trulye fulfillid, and every on of them to have for ther labours vj s. viij d. and ther costes borne. Thies beyng wittenes Rauf Colynson gentilman, Sir William Mosley, Sir John Silvester, Thomas Browme, Thomas Wod, Roberte Bacon, and Roberte Mathewman.

[Pr. 2 May 1528, adm. to ex^x.]

CLXXXI. THE WILL OF JOHN GERVES OF HORNSEA-BECK.

[Reg. Test. Ebor. ix. 389.]

Jan. 29, 1527–8. I, John Gerves of Hornese-beke, maketh my testament with a hoole mynd and a sownde. To be beried in the churche of Nicholes at Hornesce in the ile afore our Ladie and Sancte Anne. I witt my best beast to be my mortuary. To the Holie Sacrament for all forgettyn tithies iij s. iiij d. I will that there be said for my sall in Hornese at *Scala Cœli*, by the auctoritie of our Ladie gilde of Boston, a c Messes, opon the Wedynsdaye, Fridaye, and Saturdaye, for my sall, and all my frendes' salles, and all that ever I had any goodes opon als sowne after my beriall, as can be possible. I witt for my beriall x s. To Sancte Marie abbay of Yorke vj s. viij d. I will that ther be distribute for me at the daye of my beriall in the waye of almos to every house in Hornese beke ij d. To the iiij Orders of Freres in Hull and Beverlay, every house ij s. To the iiij moder churches iiij s. To Edmunde, my sone, vj silver spones with Sancte John heddes of them; and if any thyng come at the said Edmunde bot good, that William Gerves have them. To the said Edmunde a coble called the

Margarete, and my galbadyne. To the churche warke of Swyne vj s. viij d. To oure Ladie gilde of the same Swyne xiij s. iiij d. To Thomas Gerves my litle newe macer. To Anne, my wif, my best silver pece, my best girdle with pennand and bukle of silver, &, if any thing come to hir bot good, she shall resigne the said girdle to Peter Gerves, and he be of lyve; and in defalte of hyme to Edmunde my sone; and in defalte of Edmunde that William Gerves and Thomas Gerves, and they for to sell it and cause a prest to syng for me and for my frendes as long as the money will reche. To Thomas Heryson of Hull brig, and my hospes his wif, Petir Gerves my sone and his childe parte, & to the said Thomas my best bucler. To Thomas Esburn a nett, ij ores, a smale lyne of the best in the house. I witt a quarter wheate and ij barils bere to be delt in the kirke of Hornese opon my sevynt daye.

[Pr. 4 Mar. 1527–8.]

CLXXXII. THE WILL OF BRIAN BRADLEY OF YORK, WAX-CHANDLER.

[Reg. Test. ix. 392.]

Feb. 4, 1527–8. Bryan Bradley, citizen and wax-chaunler of the citie of Yorke, in the parishe of Sancte John Apostell & Evangeliste at Use brig ende. To be bur. in the churche of Sancte John, in the north side, afor the pulpitte. I bequeath for my mortuary my best clothyng. I bequeath the daye of my beriall v^{li} candils & v torches, to be burnyd the daye of my beriall, xvj d. a pece. To William, my son, a silver salt, with all my workyng gere and my grete panne, if he goo to the occupacion; if not, I gif it to my wif, with my bow and my shafftes with all my harnes. I bequeath the daye of my beriall a trentall of *Messes*, I will the Maister of Corpus Christi gilde, with his sex kepers, havyng ther duetie. To Cuthberte Birtbeke a sattan dublett fore-stokked with velvett. To Henry my servaunte, iij jonyng yrnes, a wax ladle, a wax burde, half a dossen wax, the borde being at Bushophill.

[Pr. 3 March, 1527–8.]

CLXXXIII. THE WILL OF JOHN JOHNSON, VICAR OF MATTERSEY.

[Reg. Wolsey, 161.]

Feb. 12, 1527–8. I John Johnson, vicar of Madersay, of hoole mynde and full remembraunce, makith my will in this

maner and forme foloing. First I yeve and bequeath my sall to God Almyghtie, to oure Ladie Sancte Marie, and to all the Sanctis in hevyn, and my bodie to be beried in the chauncell of the parishe churche of Madirsay aforsaid, of the left hand of Sir William Holme, some tyme vicar of the same. Also I bequeath for my mortuary as the contre is indued. Also I will that there be iiij^{li} wax made in xiij perchis, and they to be light at the daye of my beriall, and at the vij daye after. Also I bequeath to the Roode light vj d. To oure Ladie light vj d. To Sancte John light vj d. To Sancte Antony and Plough light vj d. To Sancte James and Sancte Sithe iiij d. Also I bequeath to the house of Sancte Gilberte in Madirsaye, to registre my name as a broder, vj s. viij d. Also I bequeath to the Covente of the same place, at the disposicion of the Subpriour, iij s. iiij d. Also I will that there be a through stone laide opon my grave ingravid with scripture as testifyeng what tyme that I depart from this present lyve. Also I will that the house beside the chapell be yeven to on armette or bede man at the will of the vicar and churche maisters as oft as it is voide, and the said armete or beademan to yeve yerely to the vicar of Madirsaye aforsaid a *Messe* peny, and to the clerk ij d. for a mynyng; and that to be done at my twelmonth daye, and so yerely to continue. Also I yeve to the brig over the water called the Eyand, to the amendyng of the hie way aboute it, iij s. iiij d. Also I yeve my pix to be used in the honour of the Sacrament in the forsaid churche of Maddersay. Also I yeve toward the byeng of on sute of vestymentes in the forsaid church xx s. Also I bequeath to Bawtre churche iij s. iiij d. Also to Shereburn churche iij s. iiij d. Also to Abirford church iij s. iiij d. Also to Hesilwod chapell iij s. iiij d. Also I yeve to Elene Johnson, my broder doughtour, iij li. vj s. viij d., on ambre, one laver, and a stone morter. Also I yeve to Jenet Paskell a quarter of rye and iiij shepe. Also I yeve every on of oure iiij moder churches xij d. Residue of all my goodis not above bequeathed, my will truly fulfillid, I yeve and bequeath to Sir William Wright chaplayne, Richarde Johnson, and Henry Johnson, my breder, whome I make my executours of this my last will above writtyn. Thies wittenes, William Vescy, Richard Kepas, Richard Burton, and James Rither.

[Pr. 16 May, 1528, ad. to ex^{rx}.]

CLXXXIV. TESTAMENTUM MAGISTRI JOHANNIS CHAPMAN, QUONDAM REGISTRARII CANCELLARIÆ DOMINI ARCHIEPISCOPI EBOR., PAROCHIÆ S. MICHAELIS DE BEREFRIDO.

[Reg. Capit. Ebor. ii. 158; Reg. Test. x. 52 *b*.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. Quarto die mensis Marcii, anno Domini millesimo quingentesimo, vigesimo septimo, Ego, Johannes Chapman,* de Eboraco, notarius publicus, civis et marcator civitatis Ebor., ac sacri Lateranensis palacii comes palatinus, reverendissimi in Christo patris et domini, Domini Thomæ Cardinalis legati de latere et archiepiscopi. Ebor., in civitate et diocesi Ebor. registrarius, adnichilando et irritando omnia et singula testamenta ante dictum quartum diem mensis Marcii per me condita et facta, jam condo testamentum meum, ultimam voluntatem meam in se continens, in hunc qui sequitur modum. In primis do et lego animam meam Deo Omnipotenti, Creatori meo, Beatissimæ Mariæ Virgini, Sancto Michaeli Archangelo, Beato Petro, Sancto Laurencio, Sancto Sebastiano, Sancto Nicholao, Beatæ Mariæ Magdalenæ, Sanctæ Ceciliæ, Sanctæ Elenæ, Omnibusque Sanctis cælestis exercitus ac curiæ, ac corpus meum sepiliendum coram imagine Beatissimæ Mariæ Virginis, ante capellam Sancti Stephani in ecclesia metropolitica Ebor., ex parte boriali ejusdem, si contingat me infra civitatem Ebor. ab hac luce migrare; alioquin in choro ecclesiæ infra cujus parochiam debitum naturæ persolvam. Item lego pro meo mortuario, prout mos patriæ requirit. Item lego ecclesiæ meæ parochiali, pro decimis meis oblitis, xl s. Item volo quod post mortem meam infra civitatem et diocesim Ebor. mille Missæ per capellanos stipendiarios, seculares et regulares, præcipue Ordinis Cartusiani et Mendicantis, presbyteros, celebrentur quam celerrime fieri poterit post mortem meam, pro anima mea; et volo quod quilibet sacerdos, sic celebrans, percipiat de bonis meis iiij d. Item lego Priori et Fratribus domus Cartusianæ Sancti Michaelis juxta Hull, pro Obsequiis, Missis, et Suffragiis pro anima mea dicendis, xxx s. Item lego Priori et monachis domus de Monte Graciæ ejusdem Ordinis Cartusiani, pro consimilibus Missis, exequiis, et orationibus dicendis, xxx s. inter eos dividendos. Item lego Priori et monachis domus Cartus' de Bellavalle pro consimilibus . .

* The testator was a confidential servant of the Archbishops and Dean and Chapter of York. His position gave him the opportunity of accumulating a large fortune, and he availed himself of it. His will is drawn up with great precision and care.

dicendis, xx s. Item lego Priori et Fratribus domus Cartus' juxta Coventre, pro consimilibus . . dicendis, xxx s. Item lego cuilibet Domui Fratrum Mendicantium infra civitatem Ebor., ut orent pro anima mea, et intersint in delacione corporis mei ad ecclesiam die sepulturæ meæ, dicantque in domibus suis Exequias Mortuorum et Missas pro anima mea, vj s. viij d. Item lego Fratribus de Observancia nuncupatis, apud Newarke, pro consimilibus Exequiis, Missis, et aliis suffragiis dicendis, xxx s. Item lego Priori et Conventui Monasterii de Gisburne, pro consimilibus . . dicendis, xl s. Item lego xiij pauperibus portantibus cereos, sive *torches*, circa corpus die sepulturæ meæ, cuilibet eorum unam togam albam, et cuilibet eorum, in pecunia, iiij d. Item volo quod die sepulturæ meæ, vel infra octo dies postea, xiij li. vj s. viij d. distribuantur inter pauperes infra civitatem Ebor., in domibus suis, et non publice in ecclesia aut alio loco. Item lego incarceratis infra castrum Ebor. iij s. iiij d. Item lego incarceratis convictis domini archiepiscopi Ebor. iij s. iiij d. Item volo quod exequiæ meæ et funeralia fiant absque pompa, ita quod honeste deserviatur ministris curiæ Ebor. die obitus mei, vel octava die. Item lego fabricæ ecclesiæ Metropoliticæ Ebor., pro sepultura mea, xl s. Item lego Priori et Conventui de Hextildesham, pro Exequiis Mortuorum, Missa, et aliis orationibus et suffragiis pro anima mea dicendis, xl s. Item volo quod unus capellanus idoneus celebraturus Missas et alia divina officia infra ecclesiam par. de Knesall, ad altare Sancti Nicholai ibidem, pro anima mea, animabus parentum meorum, Aliciæ et Margaretæ sororum mearum, et M. Willelmi Claiburgh,* juris utriusque doctoris, nepotis mei, ac animabus dominorum recolendæ memoriæ Cristoferi Baynbrig, olim Cardinalis tituli Sanctæ Praxedis, et Thomæ Savage, Ebor. archiepiscoporum, omnium benefactorum meorum, et omnium fidelium defunctorum, per executores meos fundetur, erigatur, et de novo stabiliatur. Item volo quod omnes et singuli redditus, fructus, et proventus omnium et singulorum terrarum, territoriorum, pratorum, pascuarum, et pasturarum mearum jacentium in villis et territoriis de Knesall, Ampton, et Allerton in Shirwcd in com. Nottingham, necnon terræ, tenementa, prata, pascua, et pasturæ mea jacentia in villis, solis, et terris in Fokerthorp,

* This is, as I suppose, the person who was Archdeacon of Worcester, and died in 1534, desiring to be buried in the Charterhouse, London. He was a prebendary in St. Sepulchre's Chapel at York, and at Howden, Hemingbro', Southwell, and Lincoln. He was also, for a while, rector of Easington.

Another William Clayburgh was B.A. at Cambridge in 1527, M.A. in 1530, B.D. in 1545, and D.D. in 1549. In 1549 he became prebendary of Ampleforth at York, in which diocese he held other preferment.

Escrike, et North Dalton in com. Ebor., ad supervisionem executorum meorum, applicentur et convertantur per feoffatos meos in eisdem terris et tenementis ad erectionem et fundacionem dictæ cantariæ meæ. Item volo quod hujusmodi feoffatores terrarum et tenementorum meorum hujusmodi remaneant seisiti in terris et tenementis prædictis ad exhibitionem capellani in dicta cantaria stabilienda et erigenda, et perimplecionem hujusmodi testamenti et ultimæ voluntatis latius exprimendam. Item lego Domino Roberto Hardie proximam advocacionem medietatis ecclesiæ parochialis de Cotgrave, in casu quo vixerit ad proximam vacacionem ejusdem; et Domino Willelmo Mooke,* consimili modo, advocacionem ecclesiæ parochialis de Foston juxta Lecestre; alioquin volo quod remaneant disposicioni Magistri Willelmi Claiburgh ad usum Willelmi Mooke et aliorum consanguineorum meorum. Item volo quod Magister Willelmus Claiburgh habeat proximam advocacionem ecclesiæ par. de Baraby. Item lego eidem M. Willelmo Claiburgh optimum coopertorium meum pro lecto suo, optimum plumale cum cervicali, par lodicum de fustyan, duo paria optimorum linthiaminum, celluram cum lez testour quod habui ab executoribus Magistri Henrici Carnebull. Item lego Magistro Thomæ Godsalve de Norwico, seniori, consanguineo meo, unam peciam argenteam stantem, deauratam, cum coopertorio habente unum *le water-flore* in fundo, pond. xxv. unc. et di. Item lego Magistro Willelmo Claiburgh, pro termino vitæ suæ, unam bassam cratheram argenteam et deaur., in toto pond. xxiiij. unc. et di.; et, post mortem ejusdem, volo quod Willelmus Mooke habeat eandem cratheram. Item lego Aliciæ Mooke, nepti meæ, unum salsarium arg. et deaur., pond. xxij unc., cum coopertorio. Item lego Aliciæ, sorori meæ, duo plumalia cum servicalibus suis, quatuor paria lintheaminum de optimis non legatis, cum ij coopertoriis, ad terminum vitæ suæ; et volo quod post mortem suam remaneant duabus filiabus suis senioribus. Item lego eidem Aliciæ, sorori meæ, xx li. sibi deliberandas ad visum et discretionem Magistri Willelmi Claiburgh, et Domini Roberti Hardie, in vita sua, si eis visum fuerit; et volo quod hujusmodi pecuniæ, sibi non deliberatæ in vita sua, post ejus mortem remaneant duabus neptibus meis senioribus inter eas æqualiter dividendæ. Item lego dictæ Aliciæ, sorori meæ, unum salsarium arg. et deaur., pond. xij unc. et di., et xij

* In July 1528 he was instituted to the rectory of Aldbrough, in the East Riding; and on April 12, 1531, he was collated to the prebend of Tockerington, at York. He died on May 30, 1545, and was buried in the chancel of the church of Welbourne, in Lincolnshire, where he was rector. Browne Willis calls him William Mike.

cocliaria arg. cum *le knoppes* deauratis, pro termino vitæ suæ; et volo quod hujusmodi salsarium, post mortem suam, remaneat Willelmo Mooke, et dicta xij cocliaria, post mortem suam, remaneant duabus neptibus meis senioribus, inter eas dividenda. Item lego Domino Roberto Hardy unum plumale in custodia sua remanens, et unum salsarium argenteum in parte deaur., pond xij unc. Item lego M. Willelmo Claiburgh omnes libros meos, tam practicos quam alios, per ipsum postea distribuendos inter filios neptum mearum. Item lego Magistro Willelmo Claiburgh, et Aliciæ, sorori meæ, omnia utensilia domus meæ, præter aurum, et argentum, jocalia, et *le plait*, quæ nec superius nec inferius legantur, per ipsos æqualiter inter neptes meas post mortem dictæ sororis meæ distribuenda; ita quod soror mea, pro termino vitæ suæ, habeat dimidiam partem eorundem, si voluerit, et cujuscunque parcellæ eorundem. Item lego Domino Willelmo Mooke, et Johanni Rayner, servienti meo, pro termino vitæ suæ, et eorum alterius, totas mineras meas infra franchesiam, regaliam, et dominium de Hextildesham, Swaledale, et Craven;* et, post mortem eorundem, volo quod remaneant proximis hæredibus meis masculis. Item lego Willelmo Fawkes, servienti meo, iij li. vj s. viij d. et unum equum, secundum discrecionem executorum meorum. Item lego Willelmo Tyas iij li. vj s. viij d. et unum equum secundum discrecionem executorum meorum. Item lego Johanni Rayner iij li. vj s. viij d., et unum equum, vel xl s., et firmam meam de Frerefall infra parochiam de Laxton, et firmam meam quæstoriæ de Southwell; et totum lectum in basso studio meo cum omnibus ornamentis eidem lecto pertinentibus. Item lego Willelmo Fawkes unum lectum assignatum servientibus meis in secunda camera mea prope magnam cameram super aulam meam, cum omnibus ornamentis eidem lecto pertinentibus. Item lego Willelmo Tyas lectum in camera super coquinam, cum omnibus ornamentis eidem pertinentibus. Item lego Magistro Thomæ Magnus unam magnam bassam peciam, argenteam et deauratam, absque coopertorio, quam emi de Georgio Gaill de Ebor., et unum annulum cum lapide vocato *a jacincte*. Item lego Magistro Edwardo Kellet † unum *le cushe* argenteum, et in parte deauratum. Item lego cuilibet servientium meorum unum *le*

* The testator had got into his possession the greater part of the lead mines in the north of England.

† Prebendary of Langtoft, and afterwards Precentor in York Minster. He held also the livings of Dewsbury and Huggate and a stall at Howden, and was domestic chaplain to Archbp. Bainbridge. Fuller says that he was educated at King's Coll., Cambridge, and speaks of him as a profound scholar. He died on Sept. 5, 1539, and was bur. in the nave of York Minster.

Alman ryvet. Item lego Willelmo Man meum *le jacket de velvet*, et uxori suæ unum *le sprinkill* argenteum ad spergendum aquam rosarum, et unum *le spicebox de every.* Item lego Willelmo Man meum optimum *le stag.* Item lego eidem Willelmo unum *le Alman ryvet*; et Christofero Conyers unum *le Alman revet*, et uxori suæ unum annulum cum lapide rubeo. Item lego Roberto Man unum *le Alman revet*, et uxori suæ unum annulum cum lapide rubeo. Item lego Magistro Willelmo Claiburgh unum annulum cum *le torchas*, et unum *le diamond* vocatum *a losinger*, et unum annulum cum lapide vocato *an emorade.* Item lego Domino Decano Ebor. unum annulum cum *lez diamond*, mihi datum per Magistrum Willelmum Claiburgh. Item lego Priori et Conventui de Feribie, pro Exequiis, et Missis, et aliis Orationibus pro anima mea dicendis, xxx s. Item lego Domino Willelmo Mooke disposicionem advocacionis ecclesiæ de Langton super Waldam, cum secunda vice vacaverit. Item lego cuilibet filiolorum meorum, ubicunque inventi fuerint viventes, iij s. iiij d. Residuum—Magistro Willelmo Claiburgh . . , Domino Roberto Hardie de Southwell, Magistro Willelmo Mooke, capellanis, quos ordino . . executores, ut ipsi ordinent et disponant pro salute animæ meæ, prout respondere voluerint secundum eorum conscientias in die Judicii; et lego cuilibet eorum onus execucionis hujusmodi testamenti in se suscipienti, x l., cum moderatis expensis suis. Item facio . . Magistrum Brianum Higdon, legum doctorem, decanum Eccl. Metrop. Ebor., et Magistrum Thomam Magnus,* Archidiaconum Estridding, in quibus mea firmissima spes est et fiducia, supervisores; et lego utrique eorum decem marcas. Item propter fidem et firmissimam fiduciam, quam habui et habeo in executoribus meis prædictis, et alias causas legitimas me in hac parte moventes, remitto dictis executoribus meis confectionem inventarii bonorum meorum; et sic ordino et volo quod a nullo judice, ordinario, sive ecclesiastico, aut aliqua alia persona quacunque, dicti executores mei, aut eorum aliquis, ad confectionem alicujus inventarii de bonis meis artentur, compellantur, aut coherceantur . . arteturve, coherceatur, aut compellatur aliquis eorum executorum meorum, nec ad præstandum aliquod juramentum de hujusmodi inventario conficiendo a quoquam valeant coartari; et volo quod debita mea colligant et etiam bona mea, ac leventur per executores meos, et reponantur in thesauraria ecclesiæ colleg. B. M. Southwell, et aliis locis tutis et securis, quousque ultima voluntas mea impleatur, et cantaria mea prædicta stabiliatur et erigatur apud Knesall præ-

* It is impossible to speak adequately of these two dignitaries within the compass of a note.

dictam. Et volo quod hujusmodi pecuniæ, sic remanentes post fundationem cantariæ meæ prædictæ, disponantur in caritatis et aliis piæ devotionis operibus per executores meos quam celerrime fieri poterit. In cujus rei testimonium sigillum meum præsentibus apposui, hiis testibus Domino Laurentio Hall capellano parochiali Sancti Michaelis Archangeli infra clausum eccl. Metrop. Ebor., Magistro Willelmo Wright, notario publico, aldermanno civ. Ebor., Georgio Gaill, et Roberto Elwalde,* marcatore.

[April 7, 1530. Codicil, making Dan Thos Fox an exr.]

[Pr. 20 May, 1531.]

CLXXXV. THE WILL OF RALPH RERESBY, ESQ., OF THRIBERGH.

[Reg. Test. ix. 386.]

March 9, 1527–8. Radulphus Reresby,† armiger. Sep. in eccl. par. de Thribarghe, ante altare B. M. V. To the hie altar of Thribargh churche, *pro decimis oblitis*, vj s. viij d. I will that my executours trulye, within xl dayes next after my decesse, paye, or cause to be paid, to everichon of my servauntes theire wages due to every on of them for theire good servise and wages, and to every on of them for on half yere after ther terme, after there rate of ther wages. I make my executours . . Thomas Wentworth of Wodhouse hall, my sone in lawe Edwarde Eire, and my sone, Thomas Boswell of the New Hall, Esqueours; & Thomas Reresby, my sone and heire apparente, supervisour. To Thomas Reresby, my sone and heire apparente, a standding (cup) of silver pounced and a cover for the same, and all the stuf that is in the greate chamer, and all my harnes, excepte my corce presaunte, and all my good beyng in the loge in my parke; and all the landes sawenne at Thribargh hall which belongith to the maner of Thribarghe, the daye of my deith, & viij oxen and a wayne and yokes and temes to them belongyng; all the tithe belongyng to Brymforth, bothe

* Three civic worthies at York.

Wm. Wright, son of Wm. Wright notary, was Lord Mayor in 1518 and 1535, and M.P. in 1514–15. On May 1, 1523, Cardinal Wolsey appointed him master of his mint. He died in 1549.

George Gale, a direct ancestor of Dean Gale, was Lord Mayor in 1534 and 1549, and M.P. in 1532–3 and 1541. In 1548–9 he was vice-treasurer of the royal mint at York. He was a rich goldsmith, and died in 1556.

Robert, son of John, Elwald, was Lord Mayor in 1539. He married a niece of Cardinal Bainbridge, Archbishop of York.

† The head of the Reresbys of Thribergh, near Rotherham. He marr. Margaret dau. of Sir Richard Fitzwilliam of Aldwark.

in towne and feld, & all the sawne tymbre that I have in any place: & to my doughtour his wif iiij of the best kye that I have. To my sone, Sir William, a riall of gold. To Rauf Reresby, my sone sone, a pece with a pale aboute the fote, and an other aboute the cover of the same. To Rauf Wentworth my godsone, Rauf Westby my godsone, & to my godsone, his sone (each) a riall of gold. To Thomas, sone of Henry Westby, a riall of gold. To my kynsman, Rauf Claiton, v marc. To Alicie Clarell v marc. To Lionell Reresby a flate pece of silver with a cover clene gilte. To Elene Reresby a cowe. To Francisce Reresby a goblett of silver withoute cover. To Rauf Leeke, my godsone, vj s. viij d. To Sir Rauf Holme vj s. viij d. To my doughtour Eire a spone for grene gynger and my best white pece, single. To Rooke Reresby my secund white pece of silver. To Leonard Reresby the thirde white pece of silver. To my doughtour Evers my goblet of silver with the cover parcell gilt. Also I will that my executours delyver to the doughtours of Roberte Evers xx li. in rials, and x s. when they er maried, to helpe to marie them with all. To Rauf Clidderowe & Rauf Baxter (each) a riall of golde. To Sir John Parker, my prest, x s. To Sir Richarde Ranefeld, the curate of Thribarghe, vj s. viij d. To Sir Coward vj s. viij d. Also I bequeath to iij yong folke that er at my fynddyng, that is to saye, Thomas Caplewod, Peter Castilforth, and his suster, ichon of them vj s. viij d. Where afore this tyme I have enfeoffed Thomas Wentworth of Wodhouse esquier, Edwarde Eire esquirer, nowe lyvyng, and also John Baxter and Thomas Reresby, nowe deid, of and in maner of Asshere, & in all other my landes . . in Asshore . . to performe my Will . . they to fynd Rauf & Lionel Reresby, sones of Thomas Reresby, to the scole, and all other thinges necessary for ther lyvyng, to suche tyme as the said Rauf and Lionel shall come and be of the age of xxj yeres, & then to make astate to him & his heires for ever to the valour of xx markes . . . Also of xx markes to the same Lionell, when xxj, terme of his lyve. My said feoffes, when the churche of Asshore shalbe voide, to suffre Thomas Reresby, my sone & heire, to present. My executours to expende for my funerall expenses and other charitabill deides, the tyme of my buryeng, xx li., and the residue . . I woll my executours dyvyde emong them, and pray for my sall. Thies wittenes, Sir John Parker, chauntrie priest, etc.

[Pr. 18 Apr. 1528 & adm. to Thos Wentworth of Woodhouse hall, Edward Eyre of Howme hall, & Thos Boswell of Newhall Esqre, ex^r.]

CLXXXVI. THE WILL OF JOHN WICKERSLEY OF BROOM HALL, ESQ.

[Reg. Test. ix. 401.]

Apr. 24, 1528. John Wikersley* of Brome Hall in the parishe of Sheffeld, esquyer, of hoole mynde and good memorye, al thoughe I be seke in bodie. To be beried in the Roode chapell within the parishe churche of Sancte Peter in Sheffeld, as nye unto the ymage of the same Roode as conveniently maye be. And that my best whike beast be taken for the said churche as in the name of my mortuary. And, as toching the order and disposicion of everything to be done aboute my funerall expenses and obsequies, I will that Elen, my wif, and my cosyng, Richard Everyngham, whome I orden, constitute and make my executours . . shall ordre and dispose for my sall and all Cristen salles at the same, like as they by ther discretions shall thinke mete and conveniente for a man of my degre. Feoffes, Maister Richard Talbott, one of the yonger sones of the right honorable lorde George erle of Sherowsbery,

* The Wickersleys were an ancient West Riding family, long extinct. I throw together some notices of them derived from the wills. The will of the rector of Dartfield throws considerable light upon the architectural history of that church.

July 10, 1434. Thomas Wykerslay, rector med. eccl. de Derfeld, Romanam ecclesiam et S. Jacobum proponens pro salute animæ meæ visitare. To 7 priests 50 marks, to cel. for a year for me, my parents' souls, & those of Sir John Scott knt, Robt Schore, Mr Thos Derfeld, John Fernoll, John Clay, Sir Wm Melton knt, John Drax, Thos Barley & Isabel his wife, Dom. Tho. de Toveton presb. & my parishioners. Eccl. meæ de D. pro deskys in eccl. x marcas. Pro iiij filials super campanile x marcas. Pro magna campana facienda de minima campana ibidem xx marcas. Pro revestr' faciendo x marcas. To my poor parishioners at D., Burton in Wyshall com. Cestr', & those at my burial, 80 marks. Poor at Burton 10 *l.* Isab. & Marg^t, daughters of my bro^r Wm, 10 marks each. Joan, late wife of my bro^r Wm de W., 4 marks. Cousin Thos Smyth of Wykersley, & Thos Smith of Gilthwate 10 marks each. Magistro Dawnay de Doncastre 20 s. Thomæ de Hall, servo meo, 80 marks, to find him at Oxford or Cambridge, if he would be a priest; or 'pro bona uxore sibi adquirenda,' & to find him at Stapill Inne. Eccl. matrici de Ebor., viz. pro stipul' faciendo, 40 s. To prisoners 20 *l.* j coverlett ad serv. in choro eccl. de D. et j coverd pece ecclesiæ. [Pr. 28 Sept. 1434.] (Reg. Test. iii. 395 *a.*)

May 20, 1471. Roger Wykerslay of Wykerslay. Sep. in capella B. M. infra eccl. de W. Res. to Margaret my wif & Wm my son—they ex^rs. [Pr. 8 Oct. 1471.] (Reg. Test. iv. 172 *a.*)

Apr. 3, 1505. Nicholaus Wikerslay. Sep. in parte boriali eccl. par. de W. Ellen, my wife, ex^x. Witn. Thos W. [Pr. 15 Apr. 1506.] (Reg. Test. vi. 137.)

Apr. 18, 1532. Admin. of Margaret Wickersley par. Wath, widow & gentlewoman, to Wm Grene gen. & Eliz. his wife, her daughter. (Reg. Test. xi. 4.)

James Savage, Richard Everyngham, and John Holland . . for the more surance of this my last will. My fader by his last Will declared that Margarete, my moder, shulde have certen landes and tenementes in Sheffeld, Kymberworth, and Halome, for terme of hir lyve, in the name of hir jonctour. They to be seased of my maner of Wikersley & in on messuagie in Sheffeld, to the use of Elene, my wif, for terme of hir lif . . to perceyve yerely hir joinctour & dowre of xx^ti marc. My feoffes to fynd an honest prest to serve in the churche of Sancte Petir of Sheffeld, to praye for the salles of me, and my frendes, and all Cristen salles for ever; & to pay v li. to Sir John Crawsha, nowe my chaplane, to pray . . . at the said churche for an hoole yere after my decesse. I will that my said ex^rs . . cause the loft in the Roode chapell, wher th'organnes now standes, to be new buylded, & by on sute of vestymentes to be used at the Roode altar for the well of my sall, and all my frendes' saulles. My maners, landes, etc., to the use of my nece, Elinour Wentworth, doughtour of my broder Nicholas Wikersley decessed, & to the heires of hir bodie lawfully begotten. For defalt . . to my susters, Elisabeth & Margarete . . . And wher as I put my said cosyng, Richarde Everyngham, to payne aswell in diverse my causes and sondrie and many tymes now passid, as also purpase, God willing, to putt hym to a further payne in th'execucion of this my last will and testament . . I yeve unto hym, and toward the preferment of my yong cosynges his childer, xxx li. to be allevied and takyn of my goodes and cattalles or landes. My verrey good lord Francisce lorde Talbott, sone and heire apparente of . . George Erle of Shrewesbury, supervisour, & I give him xl s.

[Pr. 1 July, 1528, adm. to ex^rs.]

CLXXXVII. THE WILL OF RICHARD LAYCOCK, VICAR OF ELLOUGHTON.

[Reg. Test. Dec. & Cap. Ebor. ii. 146.]

June 3, 1528. Richard Laikoke,* vicar of Ellughton. To be bur. before my stall in the hie wheire of oure Blisside Ladie in the pariche church of Ellughton. To the mending of one crasid chaliche belonging to the said church, x s. To by ij cruyttes to the said church, xij d. To the buylding of Ellugh-

* I give a brief note of the will of the predecessor of the testator at Elloughton.

Dec. 20, 1519. Johannes Spencer, vicarius de Elughton. Sep. in choro eccl. de E. [Pr. 19 Jan. seq.] (Reg. Test. Dec. et Cap. ii. 120.)

ton church steple xx s., besides xx s. that I owe thame. I bequeith x lb wax to be burnte before the Holie Sacrament and our Blissid Ladie in the wheire, and the pictour on the Rood, and the ymages of our Ladie in the south ille, and th'emage of Sanct Katerine in the north ille, at the discretion of John Sympson, th'elder. I bequeith ix marc to Sir Oswald Wedderade, to syng and say *Masse* in Ellughton church for my saull, for my father saull, and all Christen saulles, and to doo such other thinges as he and I is agread of, for the space of one yere, when God induythe hyme mett to say *Masse*. To Saxton church vj s. viij d. To mending of the great bell at Bolton Percy vj s. viij d. . . To the iiij Orders of Frears of Beverlay and Hull, to pray for my saull, to every howse iij s. iiij d., to be devidet emonges the covent. To the proctour of Sanct Lazarous vj d., & to the proctour of Sanct Robert of Knaresburght vj d. The residewe of my goodes, within the howse and garth, to my oist, Richard Sykes. Sir John Reddall of Killinghall, supervisour.

[Pr. 13 June, 1528.]

CLXXXVIII. THE WILL OF WM. SWANN OF SWAINBY.

[Reg. Test. ix. 409.]

July 7, 1528. William Swanne of Swanneby in Whorleton parishe. To be beried in the kirke of the Holie Roode in Whorleton. I yeve x li. to Whorleton kirke, to by a bell,* the whiche x li. is in Maister William Grene hand, and this bell to be halowed, and caried, and hougyn of my propre costes.

[Pr. 20 July, 1528.]

* I give several other notices of bells.

Sept. 1521. Alex. Mattason of Londesbro'. Ad unam campanam emendam prædicta in ecclesia pendentem xxvj s. viij d. (Reg. Test. ix. 191.)

July 6, 1521. James Holyngley. To the byeng of a grete bell, at Spofford, vj s. viij d. (Id. 231.)

June 12, 1524. John Awstyn, balie of Topclif. Toward byeng of a bell which shall be the iiij^th bell to the other thre ther beyng, vj li. xiij s. iiij d. (Reg. Test. ix. 358 *b*.)

Nov. 7, 1527. Thos Goldsmith of Hull, glover. To Sancte Cuthberte kirke in Carlile xx s. to amendyng of the belles; and the parishe preist to praye for the salles of my fader & my moder in the pulpitt. (Id. 393.)

Nov. 26, 1530. Wm. Elyngworth of Pontefract. To my paryshe churche iiij s. to bye a sacryng bell for the hygh alter. (Id. 477.)

CLXXXIX. THE WILL OF EDWARD BERESFORD OF WIRKSWORTH.

[Reg. Test. x. 94*a*.]

In the name of God, Amen, the xvjth day of the month of August, in the yere of our Lord God a thousand fyve hundreth twenty and eght, Edward Basford, otherwysse callid Beresford,* of Wyrkesworth in the counte of Derbe, seke in body, and off perfiett memorie, make, shew, & declare my mynd and last will after this maner and forme folouing. Where ther is a draught of a Will of myne maid in my wedowhode, afore I maried this gentilwoman, my wyff, remanyng in the handes of the vicar of Chesterfeld, I have send for the said vicar, and, God willing, intend to make this my will in writing for the profett of my wyff and childer; and seyng I am in an extreme heit, and also in dowt and daunger whether it shall please God to call me to His mercy before the said vicar come, before that my testament and last Wil be fynyshed in writyng, I declare unto youe that Maister Metham, my fathir-in-law, doith awe unto me neyn hundreth markes, if he have the warde of Maister Bradburne, and, if he have hym nott, sex hundreth markes; and I will if the neyn hundreth markes, or sex hundreth markes, awther of the said sommes, after condicion aforsaid, be paid, that my wyff have fourty poundes in land by yere duryng hir naturall lyff for hir joyntour, and it to remayn over to my oldist son had by hir according as it is covauntid betwyx my father in law and me; and if it shall happen it never to be paid, I will that she have butt fourtie markes by lond by yere duryng hir naturall lyeff for hir joynctour. Also I will that my other Will, wherof a draught remanyth wth the said vicar of Chesterfeld, shall not stond but be utterlie void. Also my mynd and will is that Jane my wyff have the dispossing of my guddes, and execute this my will for the well of my saull & profytt of my childer; and herof I desyre and pray youe that be present, and charge youe in Godde's behalf, to bere witnes and certifie this my wyll and mynd when neid shall require. Thes beyng witnes, Raphe Wordysworth, William Oydes, Raphe Glossoppe, and Thomas Scaryng, with other.

[Pr. 13 Nov. 1531 ad. to ex^{x}.]

* A Derbyshire gentleman whose will is registered at York, through his connection, by his second wife, with the Methams. He seems to have died of the sweating sickness.

CXC. THE WILL OF MR. WILLIAM MELTON, CHANCELLOR OF YORK.

[Reg. Test. Dec. & Capit. Ebor. ii. 166.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. Ultima voluntas hominis Cristiani et sacerdotis, Willelmi Melton,* anno Cristi millesimo quingentesimo vicesimo octavo, vicesimo die mensis Augusti, apud Acclum.

In gratiam et misericordiam Omnipotentis Dei, Creatoris omnium, et Redemptoris nostri, spiritu meo primum commendato, sub spe crucis et sanguinis Jhesu Christi, et per intercessionem Ejus genetricis Mariæ, Sanctorumque Omnium et Spirituum Cœlestium; corpore quoque meo commendato fidelium sepulturæ; hæc sit gerenda ratio rerum et facultatum mearum, ut primum ex hiis, quoad fieri possit, omni juri ecclesiastico et omni justiciæ mortalium satisfiat. Post funeralia, videlicet, mihi catholice exhibita, pro reputatione mea non sumptuosa sed mediocria, deinde post justa omnia debita mea secure soluta, si nulla videtur executori vel executoribus aut ministris instare molestia, quin sine suo detrimento bene fieri possit, tunc ex summa omnium vasorum argenteorum *de le plate* quæ reperientur, non designata scriptis, nec nuncupata verbo, detur exhibitio annua septem marcarum, quoad summa tota compleatur per annos vel menses, sacerdoti idoneo pro arbitrio ministrantium; qui quidem sacra celebraturus est ad altare Nominis Jhesu in ecclesia Ebor. pro anima mea, animabus parentum meorum, amicorum, et propinquorum, pro anima quoque Hugonis Trotter † et suorum, similiter animabus parentum, amicorum, atque simili modo pro anima Domini

* A learned and distinguished scholar.

He was ordained acolyte at York March 11, 1485–6; deacon, May 20, 1486, being then M.A., Roche Abbey giving him a title, and priest on Sept. 23 in the same year. Melton was M.A. of Cambridge in 1479, B.D. in 1490, and D.D. in 1496.

On May 18, 1489–90, he was inst. to the rectory of Clayworth, and on June 6, 1496, to that of Aston on the presentation of Sir John Melton. This he res. in Feb. 1516–17.

In York Minster he was prebendary of Tockerington, and afterwards, in 1495, Chancellor, in which position he had full field for the use of his learning. One of his sermons as Chancellor was printed, I think by Wynkyn de Worde.

Melton's will is his own composition and travels very far out of the usual groove. The list of his books and furniture, etc., is very suggestive. Except in his books there is no sign of any expenditure. Everything is of the most simple kind. The will was made at Acclam on the Wolds, a small living in his gift. The will of the Vicar of Acclam, his friend and protégé, Edmund Cook, will soon follow.

† Sometime Treasurer of York and a well-known man.

Thomæ Rotherham archiepiscopi, et animabus suorum, omniumque fidelium defunctorum. Cætera vero legata mea quædam in billis de papiro mea manu scripta patebunt; quædam, Deo propitio, viva voce annuntiabo. Exequantur autem plena mea auctoritate hii vel ille, unus vel plures, quem vel quos pro Dei clementia maturius nominabo ex tempore, residuo rerum mearum eis, vel ei, relicto; nec post funeralia facta, debita soluta, et impleta legata quæ vel scripto mandantur vel aperte nuncupantur, amplius pro meis rebus quisquam oneretur pro tali residuo quam sibi ipsi videatur ex sua erga me pietate. Amen.

Billa deposit' Prioris de Watton omnino servetur et perimpleatur. Item pro capa necesse est solventur viginti marcæ, si non sint solutæ.

Item capellano meo et famulis solvetur omnino integrum stipendium quarterii in quo decedo ab hoc sæculo. Et ulterius lego cuilibet eorum vij s. vj d. Item do et lego Willelmo Baxster, servienti meo, unum ciphum argenteum et deauratum cum nubibus, post meum decessum. Item volo quod omnia ornamenta corpori meo pertinentia æqualiter dividentur inter servientes meos et bonorum meorum administratores. Item do et lego Nicholao Melton, nepoti meo, meum optimum plumare cum pertinentiis. Item do et lego Johanni Eyre, servienti meo, secundum optimum meum plumare. Item do et lego Antonio Mountenay plumare meum in quo jacere solebat. Hæc in omnibus serventur per Dominum Thomam Forne subthesaurarium ecclesiæ Ebor., Magistrum Nicholaum Melton, Johannem Eyre, Dominum Thomam Baite presbyterum, et Robertum Mountenay, quos facio executores, sive bonorum meorum administratores mobilium et immobilium mihi pertinentium, et præcipue eos, eo quod in vita mea ipsi omnino domum et res meas mobiles et immobiles rexerint et gubernaverint, igitur ea intentione volo eos post decessum meum prædicta ordinare et gubernare, et hæc est mea ultima voluntas. In cujus rei testimonium præsentes sunt Magister Doctor Haill rector ecclesiæ de Skirpenbek, Dominus Edmundus Cook vicarius de Acclame, Dominus Robertus Gilis presbyter, et alii, ut Willelmus Backster, Galfridus Frankelande, Edwardus Darwentwater, et Thomas Wilson.

[Pr. 19 Aug. 1533.]

INVENTARIUM . . BONORUM IN DOMO SUA EBOR., APPRECIATORUM PER VIROS FIDEDIGNOS, VIZ. PER DOMINUM THOMAM FOX, PRÆPOSITUM COLLEGII SANCTI WILLELMI EBOR., DOMINUM THOMAM LORYMER, CAPELLANUM, JOHANNEM COLYER, VICECOMITEM CIVITATIS EBOR., ET JOHANNEM LISTER, DRAPER; QUI QUIDEM WILLELMUS OBIIT VICESIMO QUINTO DIE OCTOBRIS, ANNO DOMINI MILLESIMO QUINGENTESIMO VICESIMO OCTAVO.

IN THE PRASSE. In primis a gowne of rede scarlet, furred wth menyvere, and a hoode, xxvj s. viij d. A cremysyn gowne and a hood furred wth foones, lxxviij s. A scole abite furred wth menyvere, xvj s. A blak abite for the churche, wth grene sercenet in it, xv s. Thre gray amysses, liij s. iiij d. Two surplusses, xxvj s. An olde pillowe wroght wth silke, xx d. Two curtanes of blewe clothe, xvj d. Two peces of olde furre, white and gray, ij s. A newe violet gowne, xl s. Two olde surplusses, viij d. *Summa* xiij li. viij d.

IN THE GREAT CHAMBRE. Item a teister of damaske worke wth a sparver of sarcenet, vj s. viij d. A fedder bed and a bolster, xvj s. A pare fustian blankettes, ij s. viij d. A fyne shete and a doble shete, xv s. iiij d. A coverlet wth white and blak, xij d. A coveringe for a bed, white and blak, lxvj s. viij d. Two Flaunders chistes, and ij other chistes, vj s. viij d. Four peces of hangynge, say, wth rede and grene, xij d. A pewtre bason and ij formes, vj d. A pece of hangynges wth flours, and a pece rede say, xxj d. An olde borde, iiij d. *Summa* v li. xviij s. vij d.

IN THE CHAPLE CHAMBRE. Item an old sparver of dornyxe, xij d. A litle fedderbed wth a bolster, v s. A pare olde lynon shetes, xvj d. A coverlet, white and blak, xij d. A covering, with an antilope, iij s. iiij d. A great chiste, yrne bounde, vj s. viij d. *Summa* xviij s. iiij d.

IN THE CHAPLE. Item a litle clothe staned wth Christe, Marie, and John, iiij d. A super altare, wth ij old alterclothes, xvj d. A pece of staned work wth an ymage of o^r^ Lady, vj d. Two curtanes of clothe, staned after damaske worke, viij d. A paynted clothe wth Christe and ij thefes upon it, iiij d. A trussinge coffre, a hamper, and ij litle coffers, yrne bounde, ij s. A halywater fat, a strenkle, and a sacringe bell, viij d. A Masse book wth silver claspes, writen, xx s. A vestment of rede sattan wth an albe, vj s. Five corporaxe cases with iiij lynon corporaxes, iij s. A pare curtanes of rede sarcenet, xvj d. A pare curtanes of taffatay, viij d. Two pillows of silke, the one xvj d., the other viij d., ij s. Two peces of silke above the alter, xij s.

Two peces of silke beneth the alter, viij s. Two peces of blak sarcenet for the altar, ij s. viij d. Two peces of rede silke and blak, rawed, for the alter, iiij s. A litle table that was Mr. Doctor Colette's,* xx d. *Summa* lxvij s. ij d.

In more chambre. Item a round male, vj d. Item ij pare trustilles, ij boordes, and j olde forme, vj d. *Summa* xij d.

In Nich. Melton chambre. Item a prassar, v s. A boorde and a pare of trustilles, viij d. *Summa* v s. viij d.

In his owne chambre. Item a sparver of grene and rede say w^t^ curtanes of bukrham, xij d. A canvaxe clothe under the fedderbed, xij d. A fedderbed and a bolster, xx s. A rede mantle, xxj d. An olde hangynge wth flours, xij d. Two peces of staned worke wth Saint John, xvj d. One yrne bounde chiste wth j hamper, yrne bounde, xij d. A hamper of wikers wth writinges in y^t^, j d. A prevey stole, iiij d. A boorde, a pare trustilles, and a clothe of grene say, xvj d. A litle coffre wth a deske cover, vj d. Two formes, j d. A litle coffre, ij d. A pare tonges, ij d. A towell of harden clothe, ij d. *Summa* xxix s. xj d.

In Mownteney chambre. Item a fedderbed, wth a pillowe uncovered, vj s. viij d. Two coffers, yrne bound, wth bothums oute, ij d. A pare trustilles wth wanescot boordes, viij d. *Summa* vij s. vj d.

In Eyre chambre. Item a cover of wood for a cownter, ij d. A pare trustilles, j d. *Summa* iij d.

In his owne parloure. Item a cupborde carved, xxvj s. viij d. A counter wth a cover clothe, viij s. A cupborde wth a carpet, xij d. Five peces of olde rede say, xx d. Two formes, ij d. Seven chares in all places of the house, ij s. Six of the best qweshinges, vj s. viij d. Six of the worste queshinges, iij s. Four qweshinges of carpet worke and j olde qweshing, iiij s. In the entree, j forme and j olde bourde, ij d. *Summa* liij s. iiij d.

In the Hall. Item j olde cupborde and ij great bordes, iiij s. iiij d. A clothe of rede say for the hye dease, xxij d. *Summa* vj s. ij d.

In the Pantree. Item vj napkyns of diaper, vj d. Two towelles of diaper, great and longe, xv s. Two litle towelles of diaper, and j of lynon clothe, xij d. Two great borde clothes of diaper, xv s. Three olde borde clothes of lynon clothe, iij s. A bason and ewer of pewtre, xij d. One olde cupborde clothe, ij d. Four candlestikes and one foote, xx d. A scomer for the

* A memorial of the famous Dean of St. Paul's, who had a prebend at York.

fire and a greate pare tonges, xvj d. One olde cupborde carved, and j olde arke, xij d. Two pare trustilles and ij wanescot boordes, xij d. Two chippinge knyfes, ij d. A landyrne and a halfe for the fire, vj s. viij d. *Summa* xlvij s. vj d.

IN THE BUTTREE. Item vj hoggeshedes and ij lesse barelles, ij s. iiij d. *Summa* ij s. iiij d.

IN THE KYTCHYN AND LARDER. Item ij great chargers of pewtre, a doss. salsers, ix dishes and vij doblers, ponderinge ix doss., xxvij s. A scomer of lattone, ij d. Five brasse pottes, wherof ij gret, ye oyer iij lesse, xvij s. viij d. A litle kettle, v d. Three pannes, pondering xxx li., iij s. ix d. A brasen morter wth a pestle, ij s. vj d. Six spittes, more and lesse, iiij s. viij d. Six flit crookes and iij pare pot crookes, xij d. Two cobyrnes, iij s. A grater for brede, x d. A chawfer of brasse, ij s. iiij d. A longe brandrithe of yrne, ij s. A frienge pan, iij d. A laver, xiiij d. A girdyrne, xij d. A borde and ij trustilles, vj d. A boultinge toon, a knedinge troghe wth oyer tubs, ij s. iiij d. In all the parlors and chambers of ye house vij pare bedstokes, xvj d. A bushell for metinge corne, vj d. *Summa* lxxij s. v d.

IN THE SALTE FYSHE CHAMBRE. Item xlvj wanescote bordes, xix s. ij d. *Summa* xix s. ij d.

IN FUELL. Item vj chalder, j quarter and di. coles, xxj s. In woode, xx s. *Summa* xlj s.

IN PLAITE. Item ij saltes of silver parcell gilte wth j cover, ponderinge xxxvij unc., pret. le unc. iij s. vj d., vj li. ix s. vj d. Two lesse saltes of silver, pond. xxij unc. et di., pret. le unc. iij s. vj d., lxxviij s. ix d. A plane pece of silver, pond. viij unc. et di., at iij s. iiij d. unc., xxviij s. iiij d. A white goblet of silver wth a cover, pond. xv unc. and iij quart., at iij s. iiij d. le unc., lij s. vj d. Six shorte started silver spones, pond. vj unc. and di., at iij s. iiij d. le unc., xxj s. viij d. Six sliped silver spones, pond. v unc. and quart., at iij s. iiij d. le unc., xvij s. vj d. Six silver spones, wherof iiij wth septours, j wth a knoppe, the other plane, pond. vj unc. and di., at iij s. iiij d. le unc., xxj s. viij d. Eight silver spones gilt, pond. viij unc. and di., at iij s. x d. le unc., xxxij s. vij d. A chales of silver wth a vice gilted, pond. xv unc., at iiij s. le unc., lx s. Two silver cruettes, pond. viij unc. & quart., at iij s. iiij d. le unc., xxvij s. vj d. A silver paxe wth a berall stone, pond. viij unc. and quart., ad iij s. x d. le unc., xxxj s. viij d. A bason of silver, parcell gilte, wth an ewer, xj li. A litle pece of silver wth cloudes gilte, xl s. *Summa* xxxviij li. xx d.

Summa bonorum Ebor.—lxxv li. xij s. viij d.

BONA DICTI MAGISTRI WILLELMI MELTON, INVENTA IN DOMO SUA APUD ACCLAME, APPRECIATA PER VIROS FIDE-DIGNOS, VIZ. DOMINUM EDMUNDUM COOKE, VICARIUM IBIDEM, DOMINUM ROBERTUM ELLERTON, CAPELLANUM, JOHANNEM HERRISON, MILONEM COLTHORPE, ET WILLELMUM SMYTHSON.

IN THE HALL. In primis j counter and an olde carpet clothe ryven, ij s. vj d. A pece of olde rede say and ij lesse peces, xx d. Item x qweshinges, wherof iiij carpet worke and v arres worke, v s. A borde wth foldyn fete, xij d. Four chares, xvj d. Four formes, viij d. *Summa* xij s. ij d.

IN THE PARLORE. Item a fedderbed and a bolster, vj s. viij d. A pare blankettes of white clothe, xvj d. Two coverlettes, the one wth rede flours, ye oyer wth crowned M, xij d. A rede say, iiij d. A pillowe wth a cover, iiij d. A sparver of lynon clothe, xij d. *Summa* x s. viij d.

IN EYRE CHAMBRE. A mattresse, a bolster and a pillowe wth oute cover, iiij s. A blanket, a coverlet and a twilte, iij s. iiij d. *Summa* vij s. iiij d.

IN THE CHAMBRE AT GRECE HEDE. Item a sparver of dornyxe, ij s. viij d. A pillowe wth a cover, iiij d. A yalowe coverlet wth swannes upon it, ij s. An olde coveringe of arres, ryven, wth ymagerie, xx d. A mattresse, a bolster of ye litle bed, ij s. viij d. A pare blankettes of white clothe, xij d. Two coverlettes, the one white ye other white and rede, xx d. Three olde peces of roten paynted clothes, iiij d. One olde dore, ij trustilles, and a pece of wanescot sawen, iiij d. *Summa* xij s. viij d.

IN HIS OWNE CHAMBRE. A litle counter, ij s. vj d. A painted clothe over the bed wth ij oyer peces, xx d. A fedderbed and a bolster, vij s. vj d. A pare blankettes of white clothe, iij s. A coverlet wth rede swannes, ij s. A coveringe of ymagerie of arres and a horse upon it, vij s. A pillowe wth a cover, iiij d. iij curtanes of blak bukrham and ij litle peces, viij d. One longe borde, ij trustilles and a forme, viij d. A velvet tipet, an oyer of sarcenet furred, xiij s. iiij d. A gowne furred wth gray and a hood musterdeveles, xx s. An olde sangwen gowne wth cipres and a hood, x s. A tawny gowne lyned wth cipres, xiij s. iiij d. A violet gowne lyned with clothe, x s. Upon the flore, a fedderbed wth a bolster, vij s. A carpet, iij s. iiij d. A pare white blankettes, xvj d. A coverlet of white wth flours, and an other rede and white, xij d. A pillowe wth a cover, iiij d. A rede say, iiij d. Item v bordes and a litte clothe, iiij d. *Summa* v li. v s. viij d.

IN THE GREAT CHAMBRE. Item a mattresse, xij d. A pare blankettes of white clothe, xvj d. Two coverlettes, the one white and blak, the other blewe and rede, ij s. An olde rede say, vj d. Two olde mattresses, ij pillows wthoute covers, ij olde coverlettes rede and yalowe, xvj d. A longe borde and ij trustilles, xij d. *Summa* xij s. ij d.

IN THE COOKE'S CHAMBRE. Item ij olde mattresses, a bolster and ij blankettes, iij s. iiij d. Two coverlettes, one of grene and white, the other grene and white wth an M, viij d. Nine pare bedstokes in all places, vj s. iiij d. A litle arke, x d. *Summa* xj s. ij d.

SHETES IN ALL PLACES. Item one pare shetes, vj s. viij d. An other pare shetes, the one wth noo seme, viij s. A pare shetes of iiij bredes, xiij s. iiij d. A pare shetes, iij d. a yerde, ij s. An other pare, xij d. An other pare, xx d. An other pare, ij s. iiij d. An other pare, xvj d. An other pare, viij d. An other pare, viij d. A shete, iiij d. A pare shetes, ij s., and ij old pare shetes, xviij d., xxvj s. x d. *Summa* xlj s. vj d.

IN THE BUTTREE. Item a borde clothe of diaper, iiij s. Six olde borde clothes of lynon, ij s. iiij d. Four towelles of diaper, iij s. iiij d. Six olde diaper napkyns, vj d. Six olde napkyns of lynon clothe, vj d. A bason and an ewer of pewtre, xvj d. Two olde bottelles of pewtre, xij d. Six candlestikes, iij s. A barell to toon in, vj d. A soo to bere water in, vj d. Three litle tubs, iiij d. A longe borde and ij trustilles, xij d. A toon, a forme, a pare tables and iiij shelfes, viij d. A chippinge knyffe, j d. Four vesselles, to toon in, xiiij d. *Summa* xx s. iij d.

IN THE KYTCHYN. Item xij olde doblers and a charger, viij s. Item xv dishes, xij salsers, and ij olde holowe basyns, vj s. viij d. One olde chawfer, a chawfingdish, a broken ladle and a scomer, ij s. A great brasse pot and iij lesse brasse pottes, vj s. viij d. A kettle and iij litle olde pannes, v s. A brandrith, a frienge pan and gyrdyrne, xij d. A pare cobyrnes, xvj d. Two litle spittes, vj d. A pare yrne gallows, ij flyt crookes and ij pot crookes, xx d. An ambry, an olde arke, and a borde, or a clogge, xviij d. *Summa* xxxiiij s. iiij d.

IN THE BREWE HOUSE. Item a bruenge leade, viij s. A mashefat, a gilefat, one olde tubbe, and a boultinge toon, ij s. viij d. A knedinge troghe and a litle stole, iij d. Two bordes and a trustle wth a clogge, xlj d. *Summa* xj s. xj d.

IN THE HEY LATHE. Item xj peces tymbre, iiij s. Four lodes of hey, viij s. Hey in the stak, iiij s. Five wedders and iiij ewes, ix s. viij d. *Summa*, xxv s. viij d.

IN THE GREAT LATHE. Item in corne at Acclame, xviij li.

xij d. A wyndoclothe and x olde sakkes, ij s. viij d. *Summa* xviij li. iij s. viij d.

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booke, j d. Missale in pergameno, Liber Vitæ Hugonis de Lincoln, Liber Johannis Scote in iiij^{tum} librum Summarum, xx d. Biblia cum Concordancis, xx d. Liber Beati Jeromini super xij Prophetas, xx d. Liber Jeromini super Psalterium, xxij d. Præfatio Proclamacionum Isayæ Prophetæ, xvj d. Liber Roberti Ganguinii de Gestis Francorum, xij d. Liber Operum Aurelii Augustini, xvj d. Epistolæ Pauli, xx d. Liber trium Virorum et trium Spiritualium Virginum, xvj d. Athanasius super Epistolas Pauli, ij s. Opera Sancti Gregorii in Moralia, xx d. Cathena Aurea super iiij^{or} Evangelia, ij s. Liber vocat. Commentariorum Ruperti, ij d. A parchement coveringe contenynge litle bookes, iiij d. Cassodorius de Regimine Ecclesiæ, xij d. Liber Augustini super Psalterium, iij s. Liber Thomæ de Aquino super Epistolas Pauli, xvj d. Liber de Disputatione contra Lutherium, ij d. Liber Bedæ de Gestis Anglorum, ij s. Liber de Historia Ecclesiastica, iiij d. Liber de iiij^{or} Evangeliis, iiij d. Liber vocat. Laurentius Valla, iij d. Liber vocat. Brinnos super Psalterium, ij s. Liber de Epistolis Bernardi Abbatis, vj d. Dialogus Beati Gregorii, vj d. Dionisius de Situ Orbis, vj d. Cassodorius super Psalterium, xx d. Johannes Cornelii, iiij d. Liber Des(id)erii Erasmi, vj d. Liber Johannis Chrisostomi, vj d. Liber Johannis Andreæ Episcopi, vj d. Liber vocat. Dionisius Celestis, viij d. Liber, sacri Sacerdotii defencio, iij d. Liber de Veritate Corporis Christi, xij d. Theologia Damascenæ, ij s. Vigintiloquium invent', j d. Ricardus de Trinitate invent', viij d. Eusebius super Evangelia, v d. Tractatus Nicholai de Visione Dei, xij d. Opera Mantuani, xviij d. Expositio super librum Psalmorum, xvj d. Ruffenc' contra Lutherium, ij s. Beda super Marcum, xij d. Athanasius in librum Salmorum, x d. Liber pergameni de Sermonibus Jacobi Jannansis, vj d. Liber Cronicorum Volotherea, iij s. Epistolæ Pauli ad Romanos, ij s. Epistolæ Augustini per Bartholomeum Sinkefero, cum Laurentio Vallo, xx d. Et Origenis Presbiteri super Epistolas Pauli, xij d. *Summa librorum*, v li. xiiij s. x d.

Summa totalis tam omnium bonorum quam librorum, cxiiij li. xj s. viij d.

Debita dicti defuncti levanda. In primis, for the edishe of ij closes at Acclame, v s. For the firme of the parsonege of Laghton, l li. For the firme of the parsonege of Waghen, x li. For the firme of the parsonege of Claworthe, xxiiij li.

Summa debitorum levandorum, iiij xx iiij li. v s.

Summa totalis tam omnium bonorum et librorum quam debitorum levandorum, ciiij xx xviij li. xvj s. viij s.

DEBITA DICTI DEFUNCTI, NON LEVANDA NEC RECUPERABILIA. In primis in the handes of Sir William Parre, for the firme of the parsonege of Wathe, xxix li. vj s. viij d. In the handes of my Lady Evers, xv li. vj s. viij d. In the hands of Mr. Burgh, the parson of Spenythorne, viij li. In the handes of Jeffraie Reidman, x li. In the handes of Leonerde Warcoppe, xlvj s. viij d. *Summa debitorum non levand. nec recuperabilium*, lxv. li.

Summa totalis tam omnium bonorum, librorum, et debitorum levand. quam debitorum irrecuperabilium, cclxiij li. xvj s. viij d.

DEBITA QUÆ DICTUS DEFUNCTUS DEBUIT TEMPORE MORTIS SUÆ. Item in primis to my Lorde of Saint Marie's in Yorke, for the pension of Wathe, iij s. iiij d. To Sir Marmaduke Constable, for the firme of ij closes, xxxiij s. iiij d. To Mr Tristram Teshe, for his fee, xxx s. To Mr Brian Lewtie, for his fee, xx s. To Mr Doctor Kellet, for firme of his house, iiij li. xv s. To Mr Traforthe, chaunceler of the churche of Yorke, for dilapidations of Acclame and Laghton, viij li. Paid to Mr Forne, for wood and coles, lxvj s. viij d. Item for a cope to the Chapitor, xiij li. vj s. viij d. To Mr Pynder, for dilapidations of the parsonege of Wathe, vj li. xiij s. iiij d. To the parson of Claworthe, for dilapidations yer in money and may'n, xxvj li. Paid to the handes of Mr Water, for Mr Withers, xl s. To the vicar of Laghton, xviij s. To Sir Thomas Baite, xv s. vj d. To Sir Henry Stafford, xj s. iij d. To William Baxster, for det owen to hym by Mr Trotter, to whome Mr Doctor Melton was executor, liij s. iiij d. To Miles Colthorpe and Charter, for the firme of ij closes, iiij s. To Smythson, for ledinge corne at Acclame, vj s. viij d. *Summa debitorum*, lxxiij li. xvij s. j d.

Summa totalis tam omnium bonorum, librorum, quam debit. levand. et irrecuperabil., debitis deductis et solutis, ccxxiiij ix li. xix s. vij d.

Summa totalis tam omnium bonorum, librorum, quam debit. levand., debitis primitus deductis et præter debita disparata et irrecuperabilia, cxxiiij li. xix s. vij d.

LEGATA DICTI DEFUNCTI. In primis to Sir Robert Norham, for singinge ye space of hole yere, iiij li. xiij s. iiij d. To Michaell House in Cambrige, and to the chaunceler of the churche of Yorke, certan bookes, as apperith by a bill of his hand. To the Prior of Watton the contentes of a bill of Mr Melton owne hand. To Mr Nicholes Melton a fedderbed, xvj s. To Sir William Singleton, his chapleyn, vij s. vj d. To the same, for his quarter wages, the tyme of his departour, xiij s.

iiij d. To the same, for his parte of the apparell, xl s. To Mr Thomas Forne, for his parte of the apparell, xl s. To Sir Thomas Baite, for his parte of the apparell, xl s. To John Eyre, his servaunte, vij s. vj d. To the same, for his quarter wages the tyme of his departor, vj s. viij d. To the same, for his parte of the apparell, xl s. To the same, for a fedderbed, xx s. To Roberte Mownteney, his servaunte, vij s. vj d. To the same, for his quarter wages ye tyme of his departor, x s. To the same, for his parte of the apparell, xl s. To Anthony Mownteney, his servante, vij s. vj d. To the same other x s. To the same, for his quarter wages the tyme of his departor, v s. To the same, for his parte of the apparell, xl s. To the same for a fedderbed, vj s. viij d. To William Baxster, his servaunte, vij s. vj d. To the same, for his quarter wages the tyme of his dethe, v s. To the same, for his parte of the apparell, xl s. To the same a standinge pece silver and gilte, xl s. To Edward Darwentwater, his servaunte, vij s. vj d. To the same other iij s. iiij d. To the same, for his quarter wages the tyme of his dethe, v s. To the same, for his parte of the apparell, xl s. To John Bewly, his servaunte, vij s. vj d. To the same, for his quarter wages the tyme of his dethe, v s. To the same, for his parte of the apparell, xx s. To Thomas Wilson his servaunte, vij s. vj d. To the same, for his parte of the apparell, xl s. To Nicholes Mylner, his servaunte, vij s. vj d. To the same, for his parte of the apparell, xl s.—*Summa legatorum* xxxvj li. vj s. x d.

EXPENSÆ FUNERALES. In primis for one obite in the churche of Yorke, xiiij li. xj s. iiij d. For the dyner maid the same day, iiij s. To the ordinarie, for a letter *ad collegendum*, ij s. viij d. For the probacion of his testament, v s. To Mr Water, for makynge an indentor and j acquietaunce, xvj d. For a stone wth ymagerie and scriptor in plaite, wth the workmanshippe, to ly upon his grave, xl s. For the vacacion of the parsonege of Waghen, xxxix s. *Summa expensarum funeralium*, xix li. iij s. iiij d.

Summa totalis tam omnium legatorum quam expensarum funeralium, lv li. x s. ij d.

DISTRIBUTIONES FACTÆ PER EXECUTORES DICTI DEFUNCTI. In primis to Sir Robert Norham, for syngyng for his saull the space of on quartor of a yere, xxiij s. iiij d. To the prisoners at the Castell and Bishope prison, wookly, iiij d., by the space of v yeres, iiij li. vj s. viij d. To the churche of Laghton j cope, iiij li. vij d. To powre people ij litle towelles, a dyoper, and on of lyne cloth, xij d. To powre people, in wod, xx s. Distributid iij old peces of payntid clothes, iiij d. Distributid to

Sir Robert Ellerton of Aclam a violet gowne lynid w^{t} cloth, x s. To poor people, ij old mattres, ij pillous w^{t}out coveris, ij old coverlettes, red and yolo, xvj d. To poor people, vj old borde clothes of lyn, ij s. iiij d. To poor people, on old coborde cloith, ij d. Dispocid to the alter of Jesu in the cathedrall churche of Yorke, a westement of satan and ij hangynges of blake saten, viij s. viij d. To Aston churche on westement, xxvj s. viij d. To Acclam churche on westement, xiij s. iiij d. To ij poor scolers, toward ther exhibicion, xv s. To poor people of Allhalowe day and Sawmos day, anno Domini millesimo quingentesimo xxxiij^{to}, xxiij s. iiij d. To iij westementes, to the churches of Waghen, Tanfeld, and Swyne, xl s. Diliverid, as aperid, to be disposid to the parsons in Yorke, iiij li. xiij s. iiij d. To Sir Robert Croke, prest, for syngyng on yere at Laghton for Mr Doctor Melton, iiij li. xiij s. iiij d. To the mendyng of Rawmarse cause, vj s. viij d. A Messe booke in parchemente, yeven to Claworth. *Summa* xxvij li. vj s. j d.

ALLOCATIONES PETITÆ, ET ALIÆ EXPENSÆ FACTÆ, PER EXECUTORES DICTI DEFUNCTI. In primis the said executors demandith to be allowid for ij pece of furre, whitt and gray, yeven to the prasers of the stuffe, ij s. For a fyne sheit deliverid to Sir George Dercy by Mr Forn, vj s. viij d. For a coveryng of a bed, whyt and blake, diliverid to the same by Mr Forne, lxvj s. viij d. For a borde and ij pare trustelles left in Mr Doctor Kellet house, viij d. For vj of the best whyshynges of carpet warke, diliverid to my Lorde Deyne by Mr Forne, vj s. viij d. Towelles of dyaper, great and long, diliverid to Sir George Dercy by Mr Forne, xv s. Two bordes and ij trestilles, left in Mr Doctor Kellet house, vj d. Two greate borde clothes of diaper to the same, xv s. For a boltyng toon, a knedyng trough, w^{t} oder ij tubbis left in the same house, ij s. iiij d. For a basen of silver, parcell gyltid, w^{t} on ewer deliverid by the executors to Sir John Melton, xj li. For a pare of sheites deliverid to Sir George Dercie, vj s. viij d. For a pare of sheites, the on w^{t} seme, the other w^{t}owt, deliverid to the same, viij s. For a mattres, a bolister, recevid by Bakister in the name of Mr Doctor Trotter, iiij s. For the expenses of Sir Thomas Baitt, as aperid by a bill, xlvj s. vj d. For the expenses of Mr Mownteney, as aperid by bill, xxvj s. viij d. For the expenses of John Eyre, as aperith by bill, xl s. Paid to Sir John Glasen, by awarde maid by my Lorde Deane of Yorke, xl s. Paid to Sir John Derley, for wrytyng and other thynges, xj s. vj d. In expenses maid abouth the prasyng of the stuffe, to prasers and otherwyse, ij s. To Mr Fawkes, for his counsell and wrytynges, iij s. To a golde smyth for weyng plait, ij d.

For a barell to toon in, deliverid to John More wyfe, vj d. For a xj pece of tymbre deliverid to Mr Chanceler of Yorke, opon agrement for dilapidacion, iiij s. In regard to Mr Nicholes Melton by Mr Forne, xl s. To his servaunt, Thomas Davell, iij s. iiij d. Paid to Sir Thomas Wardell, vicar corall, for the habet of Mr Doctor Melton, xx s. Paid to Sir William Syngleton by Mr Forne, iij s. iiij d. Alowid to Mr Forne, for his expenses maid at Acclam, xx d. For the expenses of Mr Forne, of Mr Apilgarth, and Mr Cokket, on other tyme, v s. v d. Alowid to Mr Forne, for expenses maid to Sir John Melton, viij s. Alowid to the same when he rode to Sir John Melton, vij s. Paid to spend by Mr Forne for kepyng Mr Doctor house, ij s. For on sheite wt no seme, and one pare sheites of iiij breddes, deliverid to Sir John Melton, xxj s. To the same opon agrement maid in redy money, iij li. xiiij s. ij d. For iiij lodes hey at Acclam that was paid to the handes of Mr Forne, viij s. The said executors demandith alowance of a litle (*blank*) geven to my Lorde Deyn, price, xx d. *Summa allocationum et aliarum expensarum*, xxxvj li. v s.

CXCI. THE WILL OF ROBERT GEST OF BROMPTON, YEO.

[Reg. Test. ix. 420.]

August 31, 1528. Roberte Gest,* of Brompton in Pikeryng lith, yoman. To be beried in holie moldes in the where of the churche of Brompton, afore the ymage of Alhallos there, after laudable costome. To the fyndyng of a light byfore the said ymage of Alhallos standyng in the bodie of the churche, x s. in money, and a bee hyve, to be delyvered to the churche wardens for the tyme beyng, and they frome yere to yere for evermore fynd the said light. I yeve & bequeath to the churche warkes of Brompton iij s. iiij d. To the warkes of the chapell of Santon xij d. To the house and convente of Yeddyngham vj s. viij d. To the churche warkes of Settryngton xij d. To the churche warkes of Birdsall xij d. To John Berwike a horse whiche was George Daye is mortuarie. I yeve to every of my men servauntes and women servauntes, nowe beyng in my service, a gymer sheryng. To my mother, Anne Gest, xx marc, oute of whiche I will Roberte Gest, my nephye, have xl s. delyvered to hym at tymes necessarie when he will call for it. To every Order of Freres in Scardeburgh xij d. To Sir John Lister, parishe preist of Bromp-

* The testator was the father of Edmund Gest, Bishop of Rochester and Salisbury. The discovery of this will corrects several mistakes as to the bishop's parentage and birthplace.

ton, to pray for my sall and all Cristen salles —. To every preist belongyng to the churche of Brompton the daye of my beriall xij d. I yeve to my wif, duryng hir widdohed, my parte of the house lyeng in Brompton, whiche I purchased and bought of on John Hawken; and, if she marie and take an husband, than I will Edmunde Gest, my yongest son, have it; &, if the said Edmunde die, than I will that Roberte Gest, my eldest sone, have it. To an honest preist, to syng for my sall, my fader sall, and all Cristen salles, a hoole yere imediatly after my decesse, iiij li. To every on of my lawfull begottyn childer fyve marc. The residue to Agnes my wife, Roberte, William, Edmunde, Alicie, & Elen my childer. My wif executrice. To Sir William Bulmer th'elder, knyght, an amblyng nag, whome I mak supervisour . . besechyng hym to be good maister to my poore wif and childer, and to se that every of them have that at of right they owe to have, so y^t non of them do other wrong.

[Pr. 18 Sept. 1528, adm. to the ex^r.]

CXCII. THE WILL OF BRIAN PALMES OF FARNELEY.

[Reg. Test. ix. 438.]

Oct. 2, 1528. Brian Palmes.* To be beried in our Ladie where of the churche of Otteley, dedicate in the honour of Alhallos. I will that my executours cause a stone to be laide opon me, and an ymage of the Nativitie of our Ladie set opon the same, and an ymage of myself maide knelyng under hir. My maner of Aswell. My doughtours, Maude & Jane, aither of them 100 marks, & my son Thomas, when he cometh to xx yeres, vj li. xiij s. iiij d. My son Frances to have the said maner & other my landes according to my fader's will. Wm Babthorpe to enyoe the grante of an advocacion of the churche of Aswell, according to my grante. Exr^s, Nich. Farefax, Wm Thwaite, esquyers, Isabell my wif, Wm Babthorpe, & Laur. Kigheley gen. I will that Ric' Palmes have all that is in my chist at London excepte my evidence.

[Pr. 14 Apr. 1529, adm. to wid & Wm Babthorpe.]

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* Brian Palmes of Ashwell, co. Rutland, son of Guy Palmes, serjeant-at-law, and grandson of Wm. Palmes of Naburn, near York. He marr. Isabell d. and h. of Thos. Lindley of Lindley, Esq.

CXCIII. THE WILL OF JOHN ROSE, ALDERMAN OF NOTTINGHAM.

[Reg. Test. ix. 424.]

Oct. 12, 1528. John Rose, on of the aldermen of the towne of Notingham. To be beried in the churche of oure Blissed Ladie Sancte Marie, nere unto the chapell of the Holy Trinitie within the same churche. To John, my wif, al my goodes and implementes of my house . . providede that she yeve ij saltes, on dossen of spones, and ij goblettes of silver to William Rose & John Bredon, to be divided betwixt them. I will that she have for the terme of hir lyve the house that I nowe dwell in, & a ten[t] on the Long Rowe . . the reversion therof to Wm sone of Thomas Rosse decessed . . . also a close called Taynteryerd, and a ten[t] called the Corner house. To Wm Rose (& his heires), at suche tyme as he shall come to the age of xxj[th] yeres, all my landes, etc., in Notingham, the house called the Dolphyn, & on ten[t] in Sancte Marie gate . . . then to John Bredon, son of Thomas Bredon, & his heires . . then to Thomas Guymer, & his heires . . then to the Maire of Notyngham for the tyme beyng and ij of his eldest brether, aldermen . . . to the intent that the said Maire & aldermen shall aliene & sell the said landes & tenementes; & of on half of the money fynde a conveniente preist to syng in the church of oure Blissid Ladie in Notingham for my sall and all Cristen salles, alslong as the said money will or shall suffice; and the other half to be divided in thre partes & to be disposed in maner and forme that ensuyeth; that is to say, the first parte therof to be yeven to the houses of the Freres in Notingham, Derbye, and Newarke, to praye for my sall and all Cristen salles; the seconde parte to be disposed opon mending or reparelyng of certen highe wayes aboute the said towne of Notingham; and the thirde parte to be disposed amonge the poore people of the said towne in clothyng and victualles . . If William Rose die withoute issue lawfully begottyn, the whiche God forbede, I will the close called the Tenteryerde, ij shoppes in the Wekeday-markett or Bochery, and the house of the Long Rowe shall remain unto ij honest persones, brether of the said gilde of the Holy Trinitie, such as the aldermen of the same gilde for that tyme beyng shall name, to . . th'use & profitt of the said guylde . . I will that my ex[rs] shall cause to make the best crosse now belongyng and beyng in the forsaid church of oure Blissid Ladie Sancte Marie to be of more valour that the best crosse in Sancte Peter churche of Notingham by

the somme of ten unces of silver.* To the ij houses of the Freres of Notingham x li., that is to saye to the Graye Freres v li., & to the White Freres v li. I will that my ex^rs delyver to the churches of Brigford at the brig end, Adbolton, Holme, Kynnalton and Colstonebassett, to every of them a cope of the price of xxx s. To my poore kynsfolke at Gretham in the countie of Yorke,† where I was borne, vj li. xiij s. iiij d., & to the parishe churche there on cope, the price xxvj s. viij d. I will that my ex^rs do gyve so many gownes unto poore people to the valour of xl s., & opon the hie wayes about Notingham x li., by the oversight of Henry Stathum of Notingham. To William Rose & John Bredon, each an hundreth marcs. To Roberte, my servaunte, I do yeve x li., the whiche thoro his necligence he did lose, and, over that, I bequeath to hyme xl s. The residue to Maister Walter Wright clerke, & John Kerchever of Orstone, yoman, whome I make executours . . to dispose the same for the helth of my sall and all Cristen salls.

[Pr. 11 March, 1528-9.]

CXCIV. THE WILL OF EDMUND PILKINGTON OF NOTTINGHAM, ESQ.

[Reg. Test. ix. 432.]

Dec. 12, 1528. Edmunde Pilkyngton,‡ of the parishe of Sancte Nicholas of Notingham, Esquyer. To be beriede bifore Sancte Peter, in the parishe churche of Staunton. I will iiij li. wax be maide in tapers to burn aboute my herce the daye of my beriall and at my vij^th daye; and also that iiij torches of xij s. price be bought to burn aboute the said herce at the daye of my beriall and at the vij^th daye; and, after the vij^te daye be done and past, than I will that ij of torches be yeven to Staunton churche, and on to Selston churche; and the iiij^te torche to the parishe church of Sancte Nicholas in Notingham. To the hie altars of the churche of Staunton & Sancte Nicholas, to aither of them viij d., for tithes forgettyn. Also I will that on Frere, Simond Clerkeson, or els some other honest preist, do syng for me, and for the salles of my fader and moder, and for all Cristen salles, the space of on hoole yere, in what place my wif will assigne hym to syng; and for to have to his wages xl s. and mette and drinke with lodgyng. Also I will that an

* A little justifiable, although somewhat amusing, rivalry.
† Gretham is in the county of Durham and not in Yorkshire.
‡ I cannot attach the testator to any known pedigree of Pilkington. Cf. Test. Ebor. iii. 238.

alblaster stone, graven, be laid upon my grave. To the Freres of Derby ij s. To the Graye Freres of Notingham ij s. To Henry, my son, my best areyment, and my wodknyf, and my best harnas. To Antony, my son, my secunde areyment, and my secunde harnas. To Margarete, my wif, hir hoole dore of all my landes . . . she ex^x^. Rauf Sacheverell & Hughe Willoughby, esquiers, supervisours. To Roberte, my son, on annuitie of xl s. Edmunde, my son.

[Pr. 11 Mar. 1528–9.]

CXCV. THE WILL OF THOMAS EWRE, OF YORK, WAX CHANDLER.

[Reg. Test. ix. 435.]

Jan. 14, 1528–9. Thomas Ewre, otherwise called Thomas Godsalve, of the citie of Yorke, waxchaundelar.* To be ber. in the cathedrall churche of Sancte Peter in Yorke als nere the sepulture of my Lorde Savage as may conveniently be suffered. To Anne Godsalf, my doughtour, ij cakes of wax, on cake weyng ciiij quartrons xxj li., and the other cake weyng c di. xxi lj.

[Pr. 9 Apr. 1529.]

CXCVI. THE WILL OF THOMAS DRAWSWERDE, ALDERMAN OF YORK.

[Reg. Test. ix. 448.]

In the name of God, Amen, the xxviij^th^ daye of the monethe of January, in the yere of our Lorde God m.d. xxviij^th^, I Thomas Drawswerde of the citie of Yorke, alderman,† hoole of mynde and witt, maketh my testament and last will in maner and forme foloing. First I witt, bequeath, and commende my sall to Almyghtie God, and to the Blissid Virgin, His moder, Sancte Marie, and to all the holie company of hevyn, and my bodie to be beried in the parishe churche yerde of Sancte Martyn's in Conyngstrete, bifore the roode. Item I bequeath for

* A very profitable trade in a large mediæval town.

Dec. 22, 1528. Thomas Robynson, par. St. John at Use brig end, wax-chandelar. To the yong men light of my perishe churche iiij litill torches. [Reg. Test. ix. 469.]

† A carver by trade. He was free of the city 1495–6, Chamberlain in 1501; Sheriff 1505–6; elected alderman Nov. 10, 1508; M.P. Jan. 2, 1511–12; Lord Mayor 1515 and 1523.

my mortuarye as the lawe of the kirke requireth. Item I bequeath, for forgettyn tithes (*blank*). Also I witt and bequeath to be expent for the welth of my sall the daye of my beriall, after the discretion of my executrice. Item I bequeath and witt my house at Jubergate, nowe in the holdyng of Roberte Lowther, mylner, after my wif deith, to Sancte Martyn's kirke warke. And I will that my wif make a *Dirige* the same daye it shall please Almyghtie God to call me unto His mercy, every yere, duryng hir naturall lif, to the valour of ix s. First to the curate for *Messe* and *Dirige* vj d.; for wax viij d.: a hed mas peny; for ryngyng vj d.; to the undre clerke ij d.; to scolars of the parishe iiij d., to xiij poore folkys xiij d. The residue to be disposed in brede, aile, and chese; and, after my wif decesse I will that the kirke wardyns for tyme beyng performe the same *Dirige* in maner and forme aforsaid: the residue of the money to go to the upholdding of the roode as it shall nede. Also I witt and bequeath to George Drawswerde, my sone sone, the house in Bothome called the Bell, for hym and his heires of his bodie lawfully begottyn for ever more. Item I witto Margarete Hacbaroo my house in Staynegate, in Sancte Elene parishe, to hir and hir heires of hir bodie lawfully begottyn; and, if she die withoute issue, than I will that it remane to Maude, my doughtour, and to hir heires. Item I witto Cristabell, my sone wif, a house with appertenaunce in Sancte Andrewgate, for hir lyve; and, after hir deith, to remane to my heires. Item I witt after my wif deith to Sancte Cristofer gilde ij tenementes, lyeng in Jubergate and Feisgaill, for evermore; the maister for tyme beyng every yere to make a *Dirige* in Sancte Martyn kirke evermore, opon Mondaye next after the Translacion of Sancte Thomas, and *Messe* opon Tuysdaye after, in this maner foloing: first, to the curate for *Messe* and *Dirige* vj d.; to the clerke, *Messe*, *Dirige*, and ryngyng, x d.; to every preist in the parishe iiij d.; to the under clerke ij d.; to scolars iiij d.; to the parsone for wax viij d. and a hed mes peny; to every poore bodie in the Massendewe j d.; and every yere iiij loode of wod: and, if the maister for tyme beyng will not make it, than I will that the maister of Corpus Cristi have the land to the use of Corpus Cristi gilde, and performe the obite as is aforsaid. Also I will and bequeath, after the deith of my wif, iij tenementes lyeng in Sancte Martyne parishe, nowe in the holdyng of Roberte Bog, Roberte Ovyngton, and Sebastiane, for the sustentacion and fynddyng of the chantre preist, to praye for my sall, my wiffes' salles and all Cristen salles, for to syng every nyght *Sancte Deus*, *Sancte Fortis*, frome the Trinitie Sondaye to Michaelmes, after the dis-

cretion of the curate; and for to teche vij childer of the parishe, and to take nothyng of them; and every weike ons to saye *Placebo* and *Dirige*, with *Commendacion* and *Messe* of *Requyem* for all Cristen salles. Also all other my tenementes, reversions, and ferme holdes I witto Mawde, my wif, duryng hir naturall lyve; and, after hir dethe, to Mawde, my doughtour, and to hir heires of hir bodie lawfully begottyn; and, if my wif fortone to be with childe at my departyng, than I will that the forsaid tenementes, reversions, and fermeholdes, be equal porcion, be departed to my childer and there heires. The residue of my goodes, not bequeathed, I witto Mawde my wif, whome I make my sole executrice of this my testament and last will; and all testamentis and willes bifore maide by worde or writyng, I revoce and utterly forsakes; and this I will to be my last will and testament. Also I will that it shalbe lawfull to my said wif to sell any parte of my said landes or tenementes for to discharge my dettes, or any other necessary expenses or causes for the well of my sall, as shalbe thought by my said wif. In wittenes wherof to this my testament and last will I have setto my seale. Thies beyng wittenes, requisite ande desired, Sir Thomas Ovyngton, my curate, Thomas Lound chamerlayne, Thomas Mason, Thomas Flemyng clerke of the parishe, Roberte Ovyngton, William Rowsse, William Couper, Cristofer Herteley, with other moo. Also I make Martyn Metecalf to be supervisour of this my last will, to se the premisses to be fulfilled in every condicion.

[Pro. 30 July 1529, admin. to the ex^{r}.]

CXCVII. THE WILL OF THOMAS MASON, ALDERMAN OF YORK.

[Reg. Test. ix. 435.]

In the name of the Holie and Blissid Trinitie indivisible, the Fader, the Son, and the Holie Gost, I Thomas Mason of the citie of Yorke, alderman,* hoole of mynde and of clere memorie, the ixth daye of February, the yere of oure Lorde God m^{l} d. xxviijth, revolvyng and thinkyng the freale astate of man and condicion, and also the incertitude of my last daye, nyght and daye revolvyng, and thinkyng, and by the grace of God willing and purposyng the convenientes and accidentes therof to shonne, and a perfitte remedie to provide and putto, makith, ordineth, and disposith this my testament, and my last will

* Son of Wm. Mason, Chamberlain of York in 1493. Free of the city in 1508; Chamberlain 1514; Sheriff 1518–19; elected alderman Jan. 1522-3; Lord Mayor, 1528. He was a hosier and glover.

therin conteyned, in maner and forme foloing. First I witt and commendes my sall to Almyghtie God my Creatour, and to that Blissid Virgin Mary and Moder of mercy, and to all the Sanctes of celestiall courte of hevyn, and my bodie to be beriede in my parishe kirke of Sancte Nicholes in Mykilgate, beside the bodie of Alison, my wif, of late decessed. Also I wit vij li. wax and a di . . , to be maide in v candles and to burne aboute me to my grave the daye of my beriall ; and I wit fyve torches for to burne aboute me the tyme of my beriall. Also I wit on trentall of *Messes* for to be done the daye of my beriall, for my sall, and all Cristen salles. Also I witto my parson, for forgettyn tithes and oblacions, vj silver spones, or, els, the valour of them in money. Also I wit all other expenses, maide aboute me the daye of my beriall, to be maide as it shall please Agnes my wif and John my sone. Also I witto the iiij Orders of Freres within the citie of Yorke, unto every on of them v s., to pray for me. Also I witto the brether of the monastery of the Blissid Trinitie vij s. iiij d., and they for to do a *Dirige* and *Messe* for my sall and all Cristen salles the daye of my beriall. Also I witto Sir John Symson, my curate, iij s. iiij d. Also I witto Agnes, my wif, duryng hir naturall lyve, a house within the Bar, late in the holdyng of Ric' Sawer, baxter, within the saide parishe, and a wyndmyln in Grundalle feld ; and, after hir decesse, I will they remane unto John, my son, duryng his naturall lif. And, after the disesse of Agnes, my wif, and John, my son, I will that the forsaid house and wyndmylne, with a close in the said feld, remayne unto Sanct Thomas chantre within my parishe kirke aforsaid, to make it forth a prest lyvyng. And I will that the said preist say *Messe* within the said kirke as ofte as he shalbe disposed to say any. And I will that he helpe to maynteyne God service within the said parishe kirk, and to syng it every holiday in the yere, unto what preist soever it shall happen the said chantre to fall. And I will that the said preist pray for my sall, and for Alicie and Agnes my wiffes', and for John, my sone's, and for my fader sall, and my moder's, and for all good frendes' salles, and all Cristen salles, for evermore. The residue of my landes I witto John, my son, for evermore. Also I witto Sir Nicholes Ben xl s., to amende his chauntre w^t^, and he to syng for my sall and all my good frendes salles, at the forsaid chauntre by the space of a hoole yere next after my decesse. Also I witto the gilde of Sancte Cristofere and Sancte George iij li. vj s. viij d., and I will that the said iij li. vj s. viij d. be takyn of on fodder of leede y^t^ Blumer is surtie for. Also I witto Thomas Mason in Conyng strete x s. Also I witto Alexander White x s., or the

worth of it. Also I witto every on of my servauntes, beyng with me the daye of my beriall, iij s. iiij d., or the worth of it. Also I witto the prisoners in the Bushop prison xij d. Also to the prisoners in the Castell xij d. And unto the prisoners in the man kidcote iiij d. And to the prisoners in the woman's kidcote iiij d. The residue of all my godes, not wit, my dettes paid, and all my funerall expenses well and honestely maide, I witt and giffes unto Agnes, my wif, and John, my son, whome I make and orden junctely togethers my executours of this my testament and last will, for to dispose in dedes of charitie as they thynke the best for my sall, and all Cristen salles. In wittenes herof I setto my seale, the day and yere afore said. Also wittenes Sir John Symson, Thomas Shawe, and Thomas Mason.

[Pr. 9 Apr. 1529, adm. to ex^r.]

CXCVIII. THE WILL OF JOHN SWIFT OF EASINGTON, JUN.

[Reg. Test. ix. 440.]

In the name of God, Amen, the xxviij^th daye of Aprill, in the yere of our Lorde God m^l dxxix^th, I, John Swift,* son and heire of John Swift of Esington, of hoole mynde and good memory, makes, and orden my testament and last will in this maner and forme foloing. First, I bequeath my sall to Almyghtie God, our Ladie Sancte Marie, and to all the holie company of hevyn, and my bodie to be beried within the churche of Sancte Michaell at the Charterhouse. And I will that Maister Priour have for my beriall there xx s.; And to by a ston, to leye opon me with scripture in Latine, xxx s. And I yeve to the monkes of the forsaid Charterhowse, to have a trentall done for my sall, xx s. Also I witt my best garment for my mortuary. And I will at the daye of my beriall have *Messe* and *Dirige* within Sancte Marie churche, with all the preistes of the towne, and bothe the Freres, and, after *Messe*, they to bryng me to the Charterhouse, and to be rewarded for their payn as the costome is. Item I witto my uncle, receyvour, xx s. Item to my aunte his wif my moder's best gowne. Item to my awnte of Wagben xx yerdes of lyne clothe, price of iiij d. the yerde. Item I witto Thomas Yong, vicar of Esington, my fader's sangwyn gowne, and the damaske dublett. Item to my cosyn, William Frankkishe, my fadder's best russett gowne,

* A young man, who had some landed estate, makes his will, apparently at the Charterhouse, Hull, where his uncle, Ralph Smith, was Prior.

and a blue worstede dublett. Item to my cosyn, Agnes Frankishe, a kirtle. Item to John Frankishe a jackett. Item to William Cooke a jackett. Item to the iiij moder churches iiij s. Item to the iiij Orders of Freres iiij s. Item to Robert Jacson a gowne of violett, a blake dublett of worstede, and the best jackett of clothe. Item to Margarete Robynson, clothe to make hir a garment. Item to the parishe church of Esington, to bie ij frontes for the hie altar, on of redde velvett, an other of whit damaske, iiij li. Item I yeve to amendyng the hie waye betwyxt Bilton and Hull iij li. vj s. viij d. Item I yeve xx^{ti} yerdes of harden clothe to be distributed amonges poore women, to every of them a smoke clothe als far as it will goo. Item I will that myn awnte of Waghen have the howse that William Blashell dwellith in during the terme of hir lyve naturall. Item I will that my uncle, James Smyth, have x li. of the money that is in Maister Prior's handes, and my uncle William Warde and Agnes his wif to have the residue of the same money, to occupie to ther most profitt, for the space and terme of thre yeres. And at the thre yeres ende, I will they restore and paye the aforsaid money to Maister Prior or his assignes, and he to fynde an honest preist to sing within the parishe church of Esington soo long as the hoole money will extend, to payment of his wages, for my fader and moder salles, my sall, and all Cristen salles. Item I yeve to John Juwetson my best dublet and a shirte. And the rest of my rayment, I will that my uncle Prior dispose amonges our poore scholars as he thinke most expedient for the health of my sall. Also I will that my broder, Cristofer Overton, Alicie my suster, and ther childer have all my landes freeholde and copiehold. The residue of all my goodes, not yeven and bequest, I yeve to my trustie and wellbeloved uncle, Rauf Smyth, Priour of the Charterhouse, whome I make and orden executour of this my testament and last will, he to dispose it after his discretion as he shall thinke best for t'helth of my sall, my fader and moder salles, and all Cristen salles. Thies wittenes Sir William Walker deyne of Holdernes, Cristofer Richardson clerico, Willelmo Crokehaye, Roberto Hall.

[Pr. 5 May, 1529, adm. Fratri Rad. Smyth, Priori domus Cartus' juxta Hull, ex^{r}.]

CXCIX. THE WILL OF ROBERT BECKWITH OF STILLINGFLEET.*

[Reg. Test. ix. 460.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. The xix^th day of June, the yere of our Lorde God m^l d. xxix^th, I, Roberte Becwithe, of Stillingflete, hoole of mynde and of good memory, ordineth and makes my testament and last will in manyer and forme foloing. First I bequeath my sall to God Almyghtie, and to that Blissid Virgyn, our Lady Sancte Marie, and to all the Sanctes of hevyn; my body to be beried in suche place as my executours herafter shall thinke convenient to be named. Also I will that my best beast shal be my mortuary, accorddyng to the costome. Also I bequeath to the sepulcre light of the churche there where my body shalbe beried, xij d. Also to our Ladie light of the same churche xij d. Also to the Roode light of the same church xij d. Also to the torche light of the same churche xx d. Also I bequeath to the iiij Orders of Freres within the citie of Yorke, by evyn porcions, iiij s. Also I bequeath to the hed house of Sancte Nicholas and Sanct Thomas foundded withoute Myklegate barre, with out walles of the citee of Yorke, by evyn porcions, viij d. Also I bequeath to every prest that commeth to my beriall iiij d. Also to every parishe clerke ij d. Also to every scolar a penny. And to every man and woman and childe that commyth to the beriall, I remitte it to the discretion of my executours herafter to be named. Also I bequeath to Constancie, my wif, a salt of silver shwared, sex silver spones with knottes of ther endes, gilt, a plane pece of silver, during hir lyve, and, after hir decesse, than they to come and be imediately after ther decesse to ij of hir childer which it shall please hir to yeve them unto. Also I bequeath to the said Constancie a fether bed and a bolster. Also I bequeath to Leonard, my sonn, ij silver spones and a litle pece of silver pounsid. Also I bequeath to Ambrosie, my son, ij silver spones. Also I bequeathe to Jane Alen, doughtour of William Aleyn my son in law, iij li. vj s. viij d., to be paid to hir by the handes of my executours herafter to be named at suche tyme as she shall accomplishe the age of xx^te yeres: and if it forton the said Jane to decesse bifore the said age of xx^ti yeres; than I will the said iij li. vj s. viij d. to be at the ordre and disposicion of my execu-

* The father of Sir Leonard Beckwith who made a large fortune by trafficking in Abbey lands From the testator's son, Ambrose, descended the Beckwiths of Handal Abbey, who became extinct in 1782. The testator probably held one of the leases of Stillingfleet.

tours herafter to be named. Also I bequeath to Marie, the doughtour of the said William, a whie, or els vj s. viij d. of money, to be delyvered to hir by my executours at suche tyme as the forsaid Marie shall accomplishe the age of xiijth yeres. Also I bequeath to Margerie, an other of the doughtours of the said William, a whie, or vj s. viij d. of money, to be delyvered to hir by my executours at suche tyme as the said Margery shall accomplishe the age of xiijth yeres. Also I bequeath to Elisabeth, an other doughtour of the said William, a whie or vj s. viij d. in money, to be delyvered to hir by my executours at suche (tyme) as the said Elisabeth shall accomplishe the age of xiij yeres. The residue of my goodes, not bequeathed, my dettes paid, my will fulfillid, be at the disposicion and ordre of my executours, whom I make and orden my wel belovyd wif Constancie, Leonard and Ambrose my childer. Wittenes herof Sir John Bicarton, Sir Robert Grenwod, Sir John Beyn, and Sir John Herteley, with other moo, as William Faceby, Georg Fisher, and William Wall.

[Pr. 16 Oct. 1529, adm. to the ex^{rs}.]

CC. THE WILL OF JOHN HERTLEY OF YORK.

[Reg. Test. Dec. & Cap. Ebor. ii. 152.]

July 9, 1529. John Hertley,* prest. To be buried in the cathedrall church of Sanct Peter in York, in the north ile, nie unto the chappell dore there. I bequeath to Richard Lame of Appleby a fox fure and a mantell of reid lame, being in my chamebre at Appelbie. Also I will the said Richard Lame have the bill of dettes which is owing unto me to the some of xiij li., of the which xiij li. I will the said Richard shall gyve unto an honest and wel disposed preist to sing for my saull at Sanct Michael's church in Appleby, for the space of on yere, fyve pounddes; and also xl s., parcell thairof, to Richard Lame his wiffe and his childer, to prey for my saull; and to every one of his servauntes, xvj d.; and the rest of the said xiij li. I bequeith to my twoo susters, and also xl s. which lies in my chist at Appleby in the howse of the forseid Richard Lame. Also I bequeith to my said two susters ij fetherbeddes, wherof the on

* The testator was a prebendary in the chapel of St. Mary and the Holy Angels at York, and died in St. William's College.

The late Mr. Leonard Hartley, dear to bibliomaniacs, sprang remotely from Appleby, and held at the time of his death some of the property of his ancestors in that town. The testator was probably one of his fore-elders.

fetherbed is at my chambre at Appleby, and the other at Yorke; and all my rayment that is in my chambre at Appleby, my will fulfillid. Also I bequeith unto the forseid Richard Lame v skynnes of tanned ledder, and he for to dispois all my goodes, besides that is within the countie of Appleby. Item I bequeith to Sir Robert Lorde a tippet furred with fitches. Item to Sir Robert Nuttle a cloith tippit. Also I will that my corce be borne into Sepulcre chappel, and their to have *Derige* and *Messe* song for my saull. And I bequeith to every prebendarie of the seid chappell, then being present, viij d.; and every preist vj d.; and diacon iiij d. Also I bequeith unto Sir Thomas Clifford knyght the half of xliiij markes, xxxiiij li., which Mr John Withers doith awe unto me, if it will please hyme to take payne to attempte the lawe for the same; and the other half theirof to be disposed by my executours within the parich of Appleby for the helth of my saull and all Christen saulles; and if the said Mr Clifford will and canne recover the same. Also I will that my Lord Bushope of Carllell have on half of xxiij li. whuch Sir Henry Hertley,* vicar of Appleby, my brother, owe unto me, if it please his lordship to take paynnes to recover the same; and the other half, to be disposed by my said executours for t'helth of my saull. The residew of all my goodes, my dettes paid, and my funerall expenses maid and done, I gyve and bequeith unto Sir John Cancefeld and Sir Robert Petie preistes, and Steven Wynfeld of York, brotherour, whome I maik my executoures. And I bequeith to Sir John Cancefeld vj s. vj d., and to Sir Robert Petty vij s. vj d.; and to Steven Wynfeld, xl s., and my rayment in my chambre at York, for their paynnes taking. Theis witnes, Sir Robert Atkirk prest, John Yonge.

[Pr. 6 Aug. 1529.]

CCI. THE WILL OF NICHOLAS RICHE OF BAWTRY.

[Reg. Test. ix. 459.]

In the name of God, Amen, the ixth daye of Auguste, the yere of our Lorde God m^{l} d. xxixth, I Nicholas Riche of Bawtre, hoole of mynd and good of remembrance, makes my testament in this manyer foloing. In primis I bequeath my sall unto Almyghtie God, and to all the holie company in hevyn, and my body to be beried in the churche of Sancte Nicholas of the said

* An ingenious way of recovering a debt. The vicar of Appleby would not like to refuse his bishop's claim, and would probably repay the money which his brother had pleaded for in vain.

Bawtre afor Sancte Rooke and Sancte Sebastian. Item I bequeath, in the name of my mortuary, my best good, after lawdable costom. Item I bequeath to the hie altar, for tithes forgettyn, ij s. Item I bequeath vj d., to be takyn yerely of the howse that somtyme was Leike wife's, and after that olde John Riche's, y^t is to say iij d. in brede and aile, to be disposid of the Ascention evyn at the crosse callid Nicoles Riche crosse, and ij d. in brede to poore people the same day, perpetualy to endure, opon this condicion that the prest for tyme beyng ther shall say *De Profundis* for the saulles of the said Nicoles Riche and Alicie his wif, and all Cristen salles. Item I bequeath to the churche wardyns in Bawtre and to ther successours for ever more, ij s. yerely, to be takyn of a house callid the Mylne house, toward the manetenyng, upholdyng, and reparellyng of the causey at Bawtre bridge, and this not to be falyd, as they will make me answer afor God and man. Item I bequeath to George Riche, my broder son, xiij s. iiij d., opon this condicion that he be good, favourable, and kynd unto his aunte, Alicie Riche, my wif, and if he do the contrary, than I will that he have no penny. The residue of all my goodes, afor not bequeathed, I gif and bequeath to the propre use of Alicie, my wif, withoute any accompte, excepte the charges ordinary, the which Alicie I make my sole executrice, and she to dispose them, as it shall seme hir the best, for the helth of hir sall and myn both. Item I bequeath to William Hudson clerke vj s. viij d. Item I bequeath to John Sherewod vj s. viij d., whiche William and John I make my supervisours of this my last will. Thies beryng wittenes, Alverey Byngham prest, Gregorie Ranby prest, Thomas Oliver Bawtre, with other moo. Yeven the day and yere.

[Pr. 7 Oct. 1529, adm. to ex^r.]

CCII. THE WILL OF ROBERT ROOS OF INGMANTHORPE, ESQ.

[Reg. Test. xi. 12.]

Oct. 25, 1529. Robert Roos,* of Yngmanthorpe, Esquyer. To be beried in the hie where of the churche of South Dighton, dedicate to the honour of Al Sanctes, under a crossed stone bifore the ymadge of Sancte Georgie, betwixt my grandfather and my fader, of whos saulles Jhesu have mercy. Also I bequeath, for my mortuary, my best beast, in the name of my

* These volumes contain a series of the Wills of members of this ancient family, to which this makes a valuable addition.

mortuarie, with my cotte armour borne bifore my bodie the daye of my beriall accordding to my degre. Also I bequeath unto the parson of South Dighton, for tithes and oblacions forgettyn, x s., besechyng hym to accept it, and to pray especially for my saull. To the churche warke of South Dighton iij s. iiij d. To the house of Sancte Roberte's of Knaresburgh iij s. iiij d. To the reparacions of the parishe churche of Ripley iij s. iiij d. Unto the Rood gild of Ripon iij s. iiij d. To the iiij Orders of Freres of Yorke vj s. viij d., eqally to be divided emong them . . to pray especially for my saull. To the chambre of Yorke iij s. iiij d. To the gilde of Sancte Cristofer and Sancte Georgie in Yorke iij s. iiij d. To Corpus Cristi gild in Yorke iij s. iiij d. To our Ladie of Bostone iij s. iiij d. To Jane, my wif, iij beddes belongyng to the knyghte's chamer, ij arkes, ij chistes with a caskytt, a lymbeke for stilling of watters, a hyngyng panne, a startid panne, ij pare of lyn sheites, etc. To my son Robert al maner of ornamentes belongyng to the chapell of our Ladie and Sancte Nicholas of Yngmanthorpe, as chales, booke, vestymentes, bellis, corporaxes, altar clothes, hyngynges . . a fedder bed in the parlour, . . a grette cownntter, one langsettill, one borde dormant, one forme, . . the hyngynges in the haull, al maner of armour, as jackes, salettes, splentes, polaxes, speris, leden malles, billis, bowis and arrows, with other wepynges defensible; vj silver spones wherof one haith a bosshe of silver giltid, a flate pece of silver, ij grete braspottes in the kechynne, . . . viij oxen with yokes and temes, ploughe, harros, wayne and cowpe; also tymbre lyeng drye for the use of husbandrie, with al maner stone and lyme, beyng redie for the reparacions of the said Yngmanthorpe; one bruyng leede, a maske fatte, a gile fatte, a tap-troughe, iiij standis to towne in, and ij gylyng leedes, beyng in the brue house, and also a standard in the closett, with too ambres, with all maner lokes & kees within my maner of Yngmanthorpe. To the parishe churche of South Dighton my crane coleryd damaske gowne, to make a vestyment, or other necessaries aperteynyng; with my dublett of cremysyne sattyn, to make thereof corprax cases, or other necessaries, to the behove of the said churche. I wil that Thomas Mydleton, and other my feoffers to my use of my landes in Farneham, Asarlaughe, Sussacres, and Newsome, stond and be seased from thensforth to th' use and performance of this my will and testament; that is to saye, I will that Peter Roos, my sone, shall have annuitie of v li. iij s. iiij d., . . my son James Roos one annualle rent of v li. iij s. iiij d. . . they to suffer my ex^{rs}. to receyve . . xl li. xviij s. yerely

for xv yeres to the use . . of my will, etc. Also I will that my ex^{rs}. do fynd and cause on honest prest to sing for my saull, my frendes' saulles, & al Cristen saulles at our Lade's altar in the parishe churche of South Dighton, duryng xv yeres next after my decesse . . . havyng and perceyvyng iiij li. yerely. To my doughtour, Jane Roos, too kye . . To my sone, Peter, a horse; & to my sone James a horse; to my doughtour Dorothe a mylke cowe, and iij s. iiij d. to bye hir a cotte or a kirtle. I will that my ex^{rs}. shall yeve unto every on of my servauntes that doith me servicie a quarter wadge, . . besides suche wadge as to them or any of them is due at the daye of my decesse, to th' entent that they shall praye for my saulle, my frendes' saulles, and al Cristen saulles. My landes to my sone & heire, Robert Roos. The residue of my goodes for the helth of my saull & all Cristen saulles. Roberte Roos my son and Antony Roos, gentleman, ex^{rs}.

[Pr. 23 Oct. 153?, admin. to ex^{rs}.]

CCIII. THE WILL OF JOHN WILLIAMSON OF NOTTINGHAM.

[Reg. Test. ix. 462.]

In Dei nomine, Amen, the xijth day of Decembre, in the yere of our Lorde God m^{l}d xxixth, I, John Williamson,* of Notingham, beyng of hoole and good mynde, not knowing the daye of my departing, orden and make this my present testament and last will as herafter folowith. First I bequeath my sall unto Almyghtie God my Maker, and to His blissid moder of mercy oure Ladie Sancte Marie, and to all the celestiall company of hevyn; and my bodie to be beried in the churche of Sancte Peter's, in Notingham, afore the blissid Rode's fote, in Sancte George where. Item I bequeath to my mortuarie as the costome of the church requireth. Also I wil that Sir Edwarde have viij marc by the yere, to the tyme that John my sone come to the age of xxiiijth yeres; and it forton that he departe or then, that then he sing oute ther xxth yeres. Also I will that my executours shall imediately within one moneth after my beriall, shall make a feftment, whiche feftment is maide over redde, and if my wif frendes thinke that it be not sure, I will they make it as sure as they can, so that they change no landes; and so then to gif them possession in

* The very-nicely worded will of a Nottingham tradesman. The wills from Nottingham are now becoming more numerous.

every shire. Also I will, moreover, that she shall have hir owne goodes; I sold hir xx oxen, and she shall have xxth smaler beastes for them, and all my shepe that I bought, to mende them with all. And I will that one able preist, that be of good conversacion and a good where man, I will he have fyve markes a yere towards his stipende, and that he say *Messe* at Sancte Gregorie altar every day when he is disposed; and after the Gospel for to say *De Profundis* every day for my sall, and all Cristen salles, and the parish to gif hym the rest. And at my berieng every preist of oure own church to have xij d. a pece, and strangers vj d. I will and dispose at my beriall x li. Also I will that my executours, when they have castyn these heddes together and seyne what my substancie will amounte to, my dettes paide, that they every yere make an obite, and ther at to deile iij li., where most nede is. Also I will that John Morton have tenne marc, the whiche I owe hym for shepe. Also I bequeath hym xl s.; and John Wilde xl s.; and Jespar xl s.; so that they be with my wif and my executours one yere, to make them in redynes in suche thinges as I have, and to sell my goodes to the best advantage, and to instructe them of my obligacions and my dette booke. Also I will that Dorothe have xx marc to hir mariage. Also I will that hir moder, if she will tarie with my wif where as she shall thynke necessarie, that she shall have hir findding; and, if not, she shall have v marc a yere to be paide by my executours. Also I will that John, my son, shalbe put to lerne, unto such tyme that he be xv yeres olde, and to put to some good scole, and he to have every yere to his exhibicion fyve marc; and, after that, to be putto Oxford or to Cambridge, to he com to the age of xx^{ti} yeres, every yere having fyve poundes. And after he be xxth, to be put to the Innes of Courte, to he come to the age of xxiiijth; and he to have every yere tenne marc; and the rest of my landes to be keped by my executours to the use of John, my sone: and than my executours to make hym acompte of my landes and goodys. And, moreover, I will that my executours shall make non acquietance to no man by colour nor fraudes nor gile for to disheirite my childe of his right, iche of them soo doing shall forfett a c markes. Also I will that no man clame of me of right nothing, but I will that my executours do pay it. And also I will that grete men be compellid by the lawe to paye suche dettes as they owe me, and the costes ther aboute to be borne of my one goodes; and poore men to have dayes by discretion. Moreover, I will, after the decesse of my wif, the hoole landes to remane to John, my son: and, if die without ishue, to remane to the next of my

kynne. Also I will, al other wordes not withstandyng afore spoken, and God send my wif aither with sone or doughtour; if it be a sone, I will it have xx li.; if it be doughtour, xl li.; and if they forton to departe when they come to the age of mariage, than the lande and the money to remane to my sone, or els to the next of my blode. Also I will that my wif shall remane heire in this house a full yere after my beriall, and then she to have all my wife's rayment; and I will she have too gilted salttes with a cover whiche ware lately John Altoftes, and three goblettes, whit, with a cover of the lest, and a dossen of my best spones. And I will she have ij drinkyng coppis of silver with on cover. Also I will that by the space of tenne yeres that Slefforth churche have an obite for the salles of my fadder and my modder, and al Cristen salles, and *Messe of Requiem* in the mornyng; and they to have xl s. in the yere, at that I will it be about Sancte Laurence daye; and that I will Sir Edward have the over sight of it. Also I bequeath to iehon of my wife's women servauntes to have vj s. viij d.; and in like the men servauntes. Also I do make my full executors of this present testament and last will John Leeke Esquyer, John Ploughe, parsone of Sancte Petir's, Henry Statham, and Thomas Leike; thies beyng wittenes, Sir Edwarde Ersden, Richard Buttyng, and Jesper Flowre, with others.

[Pr. 5th Jan. 1530-1, adm. to the exr.]

CCIV. THE WILL OF NICOLAS RICARD OF PARVA SANDALL.

[Reg. Test. ix. 461.]

April 14, 1530. Nicholas Ricard,* of Kirke Sandall, gentleman. To be beried oon the south side or parte of the parishe church of Kirke Sandall, nighe unto the place where as my late fadder, whos sall God pardon, doith lie beried. Also I will that Margarete Ricard, my moder, shall have, incontinente after my deith, in discharge of my mortuary, all my whike beastes, and . . xx markes of lawfull Englishe money. Also I will that my feoffes of all and singular the landes and tenementes with appurtenaunce in Sandall and Hatefeld, whiche I purchased of Roberte Hounter, Christofer Thomlynson, and Briane . . . shall suffre and permitte all and singlar the rentes . . to be

* This will must be read in connexion with that of William Rokeby, archbishop of Dublin, which has been already given in this volume. For a charming account of Sandal my readers must look at Mr. Hunter's 'South Yorkshire,' vol. i 198, etc.

applied . . towardes th' exhibicion and fynddyng of on hable, substanciall chauntre preist within the said parishe churche of Kirke Sandall for ever, where as I have, God willing, determyned to be beried; which said landes be nowe in tenour and lease unto my broder, Richard, for terme of yeres at will. My landes . . in Sandall to th'use of the said Margarete Rickard, my moder, for terme of hir liff naturall; and, after . . . to th' use of Henry Rokeby, oon of the sones of Rauf Rookby, my uncle decessed, & the heires of his bodie lawfull begottyn for ever: and for lake . . to John Rokeby, sone and heire of the said Rauf Rokeby, and the heires of the said John for ever, so that the said Henry and John . . paye . . towardes the fundacion of my said chantre and th' exhibicion of the said prest for ever xiij s. iiij d. . . . at too usuall yerely termes. Where as of late opon a bargan concluded with on William Clerke, and on certeyn summ of money betwixt the said William and me agreid, wherof on parte is paid aforehand, and the other to be paid at dayes limited in writyng therof betwixt hus maide of on capital measuage with th'appurtenaunce in Camerton and Rihill . . I will that my mother & Henry Rookeby, bifore named, & the heires of the said Henry, shalbe sole recoverers of the same . . . to th'use of the said Henry . . . yelding and payeng yerely oute of the same towardes the fyndyng and exhibicion of the said chantre preist for ever iij li. over and besides foorty shelynges rent or about the rest of the same; whiche clerely I yeve and bequeath unto the said Henry Rookeby and the heires of his bodie lawfully begottyn, in and towardes the discharg of my consciencie—(rem^r to said John Rookeby etc—rem. Rauf Barneby the yonger etc—rem. Thos Dilcoke, etc in defalt of payment) than I will and require hym whiche atte suche tyme shall forton to be chantree preist of the same, to whome I committe auctoritie in that behalf, to approperate all the said mesuag and landis in Camerton and Rihill forsaid to be mortised for ever unto the said chantre whiche I have ordyned to be founded within the said churche of Kirke Sandall at the altar of Sancte Nicholas there, nyghe unto the whiche my said fader lieth beried: and the said preist and his successours . . to syng and saye *Messe*, as every of them maye, or shalbe, best dispose them, at the said altar of Sancte Nicholas, and not els where within the said churche, except every Fridaye, wekely, whan I will that the said chantre preist shall syng *Messe* in the roodlofte within the said churche, *De Nomine Jhesu*; whiche said chantre preistes, or preist, ever for the tyme beyng shall pray for the sall of my said fader, for the good prosperitie of Margarete Ricarde my moder whilst she is of lyve, and, after hir

decesse, for the sall of my said mother, and for the sall of me the said Nicholas; and, in especiall, to have in good remembrance the sall of the late Lorde William Rookeby, somtyme archebushop of Dublin, who was my especiall good lorde, uncle, and brynger upe. And I will that nether of the said chantre preist, nor non of his successours chantre preist of the same, shall at any tyme from hensforth syng or saye *Messe* at any other place within the saide churche, but as is bifore mentioned; for I will not that this same chantre, thus founded by me as above, shall in no wise discharge my broder Thomas Ricard, as concernyng the fundacion of another chantrie to be founded within the same for the sall of the late Lorde William archebushope of Dublin, oure said uncle, for the whiche the said Thomas, my broder, haith undertakyn in his charge, and my said broder accorddingly for the same c li. in gold, and nothing as yett executed in the same. And I will also that the said Henry Rokeby and the heires of his bodie lawfully begottyn shall have the free gifte and presentacion of the said chantre prest, and every of them, in manyer as a free donatyve, to be used withoute interruption. (Same entail as before.) And I will that Margarete Ricard, my moder, shal have to hir and to hir assignes, for terme of hir lyve, all my landes . . . at Sike house, whiche of late I purchased of Christofer Williamson, and also my land and closes at Stainforth, purchased of Hugh Mapils; and also my land and closing at Hatefeld, purchased of on Handley . . . to descende to the said Rauf Barneby & Thomas Dilcoke . . Also where as John Ricard, clerke, the late deyne of Dublin, at my costes and charges, and also to my use, byfore this purchased of our sovereing lord the kyng the wardeshipe and mariage, without dispargement, of John Rookeby forsaid, the sone and heire of Rauf Rookeby decessed, nowe almost at poynt of his full yeres, whiche accorddingly unto this daye I have had in my possession and use without any pretense to the contrarie; I do frely and hertely remitte the same unto the said John, yevyng the same hartely unto the said John Rookby, with the patent and grante of the same . . . where in I clerely put hym by this my last will at his libertie, so that he be apartely rewled and governed by my said moder, as I require he be. And I will that the said Margarete Ricard, my moder, & the said Henry Rookeby shall content and paye unto one William Clerke in full contentacion and payment of lxxxvj li. xiij s. iiij d., xx li. vj s. viij d. in full payment of the new purchase . . in Camerton and Ryhill. To the said Henry Rookby xl li., for the redemption of one messuag & certeyne landes in Thornegembald. I will that my modder shall

have the tuicion and rewle of Margarete Rookeby, the doughtour of the above named Rauf Rookeby decessed, towardes her mariage, with a c markes . . whiche the said Rauf, hir fader, whose executour I was, bequested unto hir mariage . . Also I clerely remitte and forgif unto my broder in lawe, Rauf Barneby, thwentie poundes, whiche I lent hym. To Margarete Dilcoke, the doughtour of Roberte Dilcoke, towardes hir preferment, tenne markes. To the college churche of Pynkreg, for and towardes on suite of vestymentes, thwenty nobles. To Anne Barneby fyve poundes of good money, or one pece worth the same, to pray for me; which v li. I will that John Rookeby shall have, if he will undertake to fynde the said Anne, whiche is bot one ideote, mete, drinke, and other necessaries duryng hir lif. Also I gyve unto the church and towardes the nedes of the church of Kirk Sandall, to be bestowed by the discretion of my said moder, tenne markes. The residue . . unto my deirly welbelovyd modder, Margarete Ricard, whome I orden, make, and constitute to be my sole executrice, she to dispose as she shall seme best for the pleasour of God and the health of my saull. This beyng wittenes, Nicholas Rookeby parsone of the said Kirke Sandall, John Colson clerke, parishe preiste of the same, John Rookeby, gentleman, James Morley yoman, Rychard Parkynson husbandman, and Roberte Bealle husbandman.

[Pr. 6 May, 1530, adm. to the exr.]

CCV. THE WILL OF WALTER BRADFORD OF HOUGHTON, GEN.

[Reg. Test. x. 3 *l.*]

In nomine Sanctæ et Individuæ Trinitatis, Patris, et Filii, et Spiritus Sancti, Amen. I, Water Bradford,* of Houghton besides Pount', in the countie of Yorke, gent., beyng of goode health and sayne memorie, the xxviij daye of Maye, in the xxij^th^ yere of the reigne of oure soverain lord Kyng Henry the Eighht, ordanyth and makyth thys my testament and last wyll in manner and forme foloyng. First, I bequeith my soule to Almightie God, and to Hys more blessed mother, our Lady Sainct Marie, and to all the hole company of heven, and my body to be buryed in my parishe churche of Castilford, in our Lady qwere there, bysydes Margaret, my wiff, deceassed. Item I bequeith to my curate of the churche of Castilford that as right belongyth, accordyng to the kynge is Acte of the Parliament, for my mortuarie: and to the hygh alter iij s. iiij d. for oblacions and tithes forgotten and not payd: and to the hygh

* A rich lawyer, and a farmer likewise.

aulters of Wakefeld and Warmefeld parishe churches, there, to ayther of yame ij s. Also I bequeith to the amendyng of the hygh wayes aboute Stanlay and Wakefeld xiij s. iiij d., viz., to aither of yame, vj s. viij d. Also to the hygh ways aboute Pount' and Hoghton, Castilford and Warmefeld, to every of yame, vj s. viij d. Item to the Frears of Pount', and to the Grey Frears of Doncastre, to ayther of yame, vj s. viij d. Also to the Priores of Hampolle and to the Convent vj s. viij d., viz., to the Priores xx d., and to ye Convent and prestes there v s., to be divided eqally amonges yame. Also I bequeth to Dame Jane Gascoign, oon of the nunnes there, vj s. viij d. Also I bequeth to my Lord Prior and Convent of Sainct Oswalde's, to the Prior and Convent of Kirkestall, to the Prior and Convent of Monkburton, and to the Prior and Convent of Sainct John in Pountefreit, to every of the aforesayd monasteries, x s.; and they to sing *Dirigie* and *Masse* of *Requiem* for my soule; and I beseke yame of forgifnes, if I have at any tyme offendyt to yame. Also I woll that every poore man, womand, and child, within the parishenges of Castilford and Warmefeld, have oon penny, the daie of my buriall or afore, and myn executours to dispose ferther, the sayd daie, as they seyme expedient for the health of my soule. Also I bequeith my chales and corprax and patene, after my deceas & Elisabeth my wiff, to the churche of Castilford; and if a preist fortune herafter to be at oure Lady alter there, he to occupie the same. Also I require my broder Crist', Jane Sheffeld, Beatrix Tempest, and the heyres of every of theym, se that the Warden and Convent of the Gray Frears of Yorke say *Messe* of *Requiem* and *Dirige* the day of my buriall, accordyng to the tenour of one composition astablesshed betwixt yame and me of and for an annuitie of viij s. which I have giffyn to theym for ever. Also I will that my executours purchase landes to the valour of v s., to be giffyn to the Prior and Convent of the Blak Frears in Pomfrete, for oon obit yerely to be doon for ever the daye of my buriall, viz., every Frere beyng a preist iiij d., and every Frere beyng no preist ij d.; and the residew to the Prior for the anornamentes of the churche there. Also I bequeyth to my brother, Crist', my great rynge of gold wherin is gravyn *Brad* with a *furth*, and, after hys decease, to hys sonne Thomas Bradfurth and to hys heyres male; and for defaute to John Bradford, my nevy: and to my brother, Crist', my gowne furred with foens, and, after hys deceas, to be delyvered to Thomas, hys sonne and heyre: and to Bawdwen Yonge a furre of fychey whiche he hayth. Also I giff and bequeath to John Sheffeld and Jane his wiff iiij li. in money or pennyworthes; and to Nicholas Tempest and Beatrice

his wiff iiij li. in money or pennyworths. Item to John Bradford, my nevy, iiij li. in money or goodes. Item to Brian Bradforth of Stanley and to hys sonne Brian a gilted coppe whiche I had in plege of hys moder. And I forgiff hym all dewtyes betwixt hym and me. And I giff to Brian, hys sonne and my godson, ij silver spones. Also to Water Jepson, my godson, xl s. in money or goodes. Also I will that oon honest preist, to be named by myn executours, do syng for me immediately after my death, by the space of v yeres, and he to have yerely for his salarie and wages every yere iiij li. xiij s. iiij d., and to praie for the soulles of my graundfadirs and graundmodirs, my fader and moder soules, my soule, and my wiffes' soules, *et specialiter pro animabus illis pro quibus Walterus Bradford maxime obligatur et orare tenetur, et pro animabus omnium fidelium defunctorum.* Also I giff to the churche of Castelford one vestiment, to be boght by the discrecion of myn executours. Also I giff to Dorothe Pagett, my neyse, v markes in money or goodes. Also to Anne Lokkay, balye wiff of Bradford, x s. Item to Jane Banke, my wiffe's doghter, v li. in money or goodes; and to Fraunces Peircy, now beyng with me, oon horse, and xx s. in money or goodes. Item to every of my servauntes, bysides there dutyes, a quarter beyns or peys or barly, if they be trew and diligent servauntes to my wyff. Also I giff to Sir John Smyth, my preist, in money xx s., and a horse or a meyre. Also I bequeith to Thomas Gryce vj s. viij d., and to hys clerkes ij s. To Mr. Chaloner, Mr. Fairefax, John Pullan, every one vj s. viij d., and to y^r clerkes ij s. And to Thomas Strey v s., and to hys clerkes ij s. Also I giff and bequeith to Thomas Rawson xl s. in money, and ij quarters barly and ij quarters beyns. Also to every of my godsons and doghters, every of yame ij s. Item to Isabell Bradford, my brother Crist' doghter, xx s. in money or goodes. Also I giff to John Sayntpoll and Anne hys wiff a litle cheyn with a crosse of gold sett with peerle. Also to Jane Halyday of Acworth ij quarters barly or malte. Item to Alice Seyntpoll, oone of the systers in Seynt Nicholas in Pount', one quarter malte. Also to Margarett Seyntpoll, my cosyn, iiij li. in money or goodes. Item to the poor folkes in Acworth x s., to be disposed amonges yame. Also to Bawdwen Yonge wiff a quarter malt, a quarter pese or beens. Also to Jane, her syster, a quarter barly, a quarter pese or beens. Also to John Seyntpoll eldest sonne, my godson, a quarter malt or barly. Item to Katharyn Jepson a ryng of gold, and to every of her childre, not aforenamed, a quarter barly or malt. Also to Beatrix Bradford, my bastard doghter, a kow and iij quarters malt, and a bed, with al

thinges belongyng. Also to Nicholas Lokkay too yongest sonnes, to ayther of yame a quarter malt. Also I bequeith to Thomas Raynold, my clerk, my gowne lyned with chamlett, and iij quarters malt and iij quarters beyne. Also to John Bradford ij doghters, to ayther of yame, one quarter malt or barly. Item I bequeith to my syster in law, my broder John wiffe, ij quarters malt and ij quarters beens. Item to John Sherwodd yongar, and hys children, now beyng in Thornour, to every of yame a quarter barly or beens. Item to Isabell Frankishe, John Sherewod doughter, too quarters barly or beyns. Item to John Watterton, and to John hys brother, to eyther of yame xl s. in money or goodes. Item to Elisabeth Boswell, my cosen, too quarters barly and one quarter of beynes or peyse. Also I bequeith to Thomas Lascy, in recompence of hys mariage goodes, nott all payd to hym, and for hys apparell at hys mariage, the whiche he wold have had me to pay fore, the some of vj li. xiij s. iiij d. in money or pennyworths, and thys some to be payd to hym over and bisides othir thinges before bequest to Beatrice hys wiff. Item I bequeith to every of my women servauntes, takyng no yerely wages in reward, at the discrecion of Elisabeth my wif. Item to Crist' and to William, my servauntes, viz. to Crist' x s., and to William vj s. viij d. Item I bequeith to Holbek childirn a lok of gold and xx s. Also Item I bequeith to an honest preist xl s., to synge oon half yere for the soule of Edmond Dudley. Item to Cristofer Conyers iiij markes. Item to Herry Esheley v s. Item I bequeith x s., to dispose for the soule of William Levet. Item I bequeith xiij s. iiij d. to dispose, for the soule of Vicar Meiryng, amongest the poore folkes in Brotherton. Also I giff to Elisabeth, my wiff, all my goodes and plate w'in my howse, and her parte of all othir my goodes nott before bequest. Also I will that the said Elsabeth, my wiff, shall have my farmehold at Houghton, duryng all suche termes as is graunted to John Sekker by Convent seall, besekyng my seyd lord to be gude unto her, in recompence of suche costes and charges as I have susteyned of the same. Also I bequeith, graunt, and giff to John Bradford, my nevye, the half of my farme hold at Wrenthorp, wherein George Snathe doth now dwell in, whiche my Lord Cheif Baron faithfully dyd promyse me at suche tyme as I send hym my leas by Henry Brome, made to me by the feoffez of the same landes. Also I bequeith Cristofer Santpoll oone quarter barly and oone quarter beynes. Also I bequeith to the churche of Castilford, if the neburs sett furth oure Lady qwere, xl s. Item I bequeith to my lady ancres in Pounfreit a quarter of malt. And to the ancres of Wakefeld a quarter malt. Item to Thomas Killyngbek

one meyre at the discrecion of myn executours. Item to old Stor one of my jakkettes, to desyer hym to pray for my soule, and to be goode frend to my wif. The resydew of my goodes to be disposed by Elsabeth, my wyff, Crist' Bradford, Thomas Rawson, and John Smyth preist, whome I ordeyn and make myn executours. And I will the sayd Elsabeth and John Smyth preist shall dispose the said residew att there discrecions for the health of my soule. And, farther, I make Rychard Lyster, Lord Cheif Baron, Alvery Comyn, Lord Priour of Seynt Oswolde's of Nostell, and Robert Chaloner, supervisours of thys my Will, they and my said executours to have there costes and charges for executyng thys my said Will. And I bequeith to the said Lord Cheif Baron my grey stond horse; and to my Lord of Seynt Oswolde's oone gold rynge with a poynted diamond; and to Robert Chaloner oone gold rynge with a town gravyn therein; besekyng theym to be goode lordes to my wiff and to myn executours. Into wytnes herof, to thys my last will and trew mynd, I the sayd Water hayth setto my seall, the daie and yere abovesayd. Thes beynge wytnesses, Hugh Atkynson, Thomas Bradford, and Sir John Watson, my curate, with others.

[Pr. 17 Jan. 1530-1, adm. to the ex^r.]

CCVI. THE WILL OF SIR WALTER GRIFFITH, KNT.

[Reg. Test. xi. 3.]

June 24, 1530. Walter Griffith,* late of Annas Burton, in the diocess of Yorke, Knyght, beyng of hoole mynde and salve memorie. My bodie to be beried in the new chapell, annexed to the churche of Sancte Martyne at Annas Burton, where my ladie, my moder, lieth. I will y^t all suche landes . . within the countie of Yorke and Lincoln as I have put in feoffament . . do stand . . and my broder, Esachie Clifton, one of my said feoffes, . . shall take . . the rentes . . of Annas Burton personadge, with Litle Kelke and Swaithorpe, to performe this my last will. . . . To Jane Griffith, my wif, an hundreth markes, & to my yonger son, John Griffithe, cc li., over and besides his annuitie of xxiij li. vj s. viij d. To my doughtour Agnes, late wif of John Egerton Esquyer, fortie markes. To my doughtour Margarite Griffith, for hir mariadge, fyve hunddreth marces, if she be orderid after hir moder; and, in reward to my sone and heire, Griffith & Elisabeth his wif, fiftye poundes, with my tent hool, ye harnes, and as moche of my houshold goodes as he

* See the will of his father in Test. Ebor. iii. 269.

haith nede of, after the discretion of my wif, in recompense of fynes and garsomes that I toke of his tenementes at Annas Burton. . . To my broder, Ezache Clifton, tenne markes. To Sir William Webber, vicar of Annas Burton, c s. Also to every one of my godsones, Walter Cawod, Gervasie Cawod, and Walter Nicholson, xl s. Also to my godsone, Walter Wright, yerely xx s. to he come to the age of xxiiijth. To Thomas Goldsmyth, balif of Alrewas, xl s. I will that every one of my houshold servauntes . . have in reward over their wadges for a half yere after my decesse after the valour of ther hoole yere wadges. Also I will that a prest be wadgyd to pray for the helth of my saull, my fader's and moders . . in the churche and chapell of Annas Burton, where my said moder is beried, for the space of fortie yeres after my decesse, & to have yerely for his wadges eight marces, supposing that by suche space as thies yeres shal be ended, myne heires, of there charitable mynd, will devise for the helth of theire saulles and ours in likewise; and so frome heire to heire for ever, so to be continued, whiche I pray God grante them grace for to do, accordding to the good example of my moder that this did begyn. Also I will that my chapleyn, Sir Robert Alsope, have yerely xl s., to pray, as by my ex^{rs} he shal be appoyntid and assignyd, unto suche tyme as he shal be promotid to a chauntre or benefice, duryng his lif. Also I will that if Sir Roberte Barlowe will lerne and studie in aither of the Universities of Oxford or Cambridge, that my said feoffes and executours do gif unto hym yerely his honest exhibicion, unto suche tyme as he be graduate or promotid to some beneficie, as prebende, parsonadge. . . I will that my broder, Ezachie Clifton, . . make a . . graunte . . of one annuitie of xx marces, goyng out of my maner of Oreby, to John Griffith, my yonger son. I will that my said feoffes and ex^{rs} over the convenient chardges of my beriall and yere's mynd, do cause yerely that for xxjth yeres foloing too obites to be done in the churche of Annas Burton, for me, my fader, moder, and suche as we be boundon to pray fore; the one obite to be alwayes as it shall fortone my aniversarie to be; and th'oder opon the morowe next after Al Saules daye; and when Al Saulles daye is differrid to Mondaye, then it to be opon the morowe next after that, and that naither obite shall excede the costes of thwentie shelynges; and towardes the same obittes to have and perceyve the ishues and profittes of my landes purchased in Scardeburgh, and after the said xxj yeres be past, then myn heires to have the same landes, and to be charged therefore to bestowe the yerely valour of the same for the said too obites yerely, to continue for ever, and to be done in the churche of

Annas Burton, in maner and forme as is aforsaid, for themselffes, me, my wif, my fader, my moder, etc. Also I will that my feoffes and ex^{rs} do purchase landes and ten^{ts}, to the yerely valour of xxiiij li., or els as moche landes as foure hundreth and fiftye marces will purchasse, and the same surely to intaile to my heires generall for ever, in satisfaccion for suche landes as I did cell in Wales to Sir Ryse ap Thomas knyght. . I will that fyve marces be disposid and waryd of too latyne candilstickes, to be set byfore the hie altar in the chauncell at Annas Burton, in t'honor and wirshipe of God and Sancte Martyne. I will that my feoffes & ex^{rs}, within xx^{ti} dayes after my decesse, do delyver the castell of Scardeburghe to the kynge's grace, or his heires, for so I am boundon in a thousand markes for to doo. Also I will that al suche offerynges as er in a litle redde purce, whiche er inclosid in paupors, be offeryd to our Ladie of Walsingham, and to al other suche Sanctes as the intitilyng of every one of the said paupours will appere. Also I will that their be bestowid opon Whichenour briggs, and the chapell their, and in the waye at Lopyn chapell, iiij li. . . The residue . . to Jane Griffith, my wif, Antone Babyngton Esquyer, my broder, Ezache Clifton, Sir William Webster, vicar at Annas Burton, Roberte Tovie, balif theire, and Thomas Wright of Whichenour, whome I make my executours: if non of them this refuse, to have c.s. . . every one of them as for their reward.

[Pr. 17 Dec. 1531.]

CCVII. THE WILL OF JOHN FEWLAR, CHAPLAIN AT ST. STEPHEN'S ALTAR IN YORK MINSTER.

[Reg. Test. Dec. et Capit. ii. 156.]

Aug. 7, 1530. Johannes Fewlare, clericus. Sep. in eccl. cath. B. Petri Apostoli, coram imagine B. M. ad altare S. Stephani. *In breid & hail*, ad discretionem executorum. Lego Domino Willelmo Bait, vicario, librum vocatum de Eliganciis cum contentis: item librum Hujo Arra animæ [*sic*]; item librum de Ethemologiis Isodori; item Primarium cum Exequiis, de pergameno; item librum vocatum Mercolphum. Lego Domino Johanni Hawll librum vocatum Aldred; librum de Meditacionibus, de pergameno; librum de Vita Sancti Cuthberti, unam quarteriam Epistulæ Pauli glosatæ; librum vocatum Rationale Divinorum. Lego Domino Roberto Murhows librum vocatum Catholicon, Legendam Auream cum cæteris libris non legatis. Uxori, quæ vocatur Cheri, iij s. iiij d. et *coral* viride.

[Pr. 17 Aug. 1530.]

CCVIII. THE WILL OF EDMUND COOK, VICAR OF ACCLAM.

[Reg. Test Dec. et Capit. ii. 161.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. xvj day of August, in the yere of our Lord Jhesu Christ m.ccccxxx, I, Sir Edmund Cook,* the vicar of Acclome, whartfull the mynd, and compleit in remembrance, and not knawyng my last day, ordayns and makes my testament in to this forme and maner. In the first, I gyff and I witt my saull unto All myghty God, the whilk create and maid me of noe thing, and to y^t^ Blissid Virgyn His moder, and to All the Sanctes of heven. Also my body to be beried in the porche of the parishe kirk of Acclome. Also I wit for my corspresentt my best beest. Item I wit unto the parishe kirk of Acclome vj torches, price xx s., equally to be devidid, y^t^ is to say every torche iij s. iiij d., and thay to birne abowt my body the day of my beriall. Item I witt vj pound of wax, w^t^ one half pound, to be birnd abowt my body the day of my berial. Item I witt to one gud, vertuosse, and weill dysposed preist, y^t^ he may syng and say *Messe* for me, and for all my gudd fryndes, and gud doers, and also for all Christen saulles, y^t^ is to say, the space and tyme of iij yeres togeder, xiiij li. x s. Also I will, moreover, that the preist, the whilk shall syng for me and my fryndes, shall syng dailly, except it [be] appon one day in the weik, y^t^ he may have it in his owen will whedder he will doo *Messe* or nay, os he thynkes hym self dyspossid. And also I will, more over, y^t^ if the preist faill of doyng of *Messe* moo days than one, that he loosse for every day iiij d., and that to be gevyn unto other well dispossid prest, the whilk is dispossid to doo *Messe*, or els that it be gyffyn emong poor people whar os most neid is w^t^in the parish. Also I witt to the kirk of Acclome xl s. Item I witto every prest, being at my *Derige* the day of my beriall, vj d. Item to every parish clark iij d. Item to every other man synging in mane's voce ij d. Item to every other child j d. Item I wit to the iiij moder kirkes, equally to be devidid, xx s. Item I witt to the iiij Orders of Frears, equally to be devidid, xv s. Item I wit to Sanct Robert of Knaresburght v s. Item lego to every hospitall w^t^in the citie of York, and also unto the subarbars of the same, whar os

* In some respects this is the most interesting Will in this volume. It is the composition of the testator, and, whether as a specimen of simple English, or as an evidence of the writer's piety and simplicity, it is beyond praise. The Will and Inventory of the testator's patron, Dr. Melton, have just been printed.

hospitalitie is daly kepid, to every ilk one of thame, vj d. Item lego to every extraunger, man or woman, helder or yongar, putting furth thar handis for almosse be the way of charite, j d. Also I witto every hows w^t^in the parisheing of Acclome, whar os fyer is dailly used, xiij d. Item to every serge berar ij d. Item to every torche berar ij d. Item ecclesiæ paroch' de Bugthorp x s. Item to every hows w^t^in the parishing of Bugthorp, dailly fyer using, vj d. Item to every sone and doughter of Alice Keld, my moder e law, xl s., and ij sylver spones. Also I witto every sone and doughter of Rychard Barboure's vj s. viij d. Item to every sone and doughter of the aforsaid childer of my moder e law, lawfully gotten, ij s. Item I witt to my Maister, Maister Chaunceller of York monestery and parson of Acclome, that his maistersheip may be gud, and also pray for me, xl s. Item I witto my supervisour, who so ever it happyn to be, ij li. xiij s. iiij d. Item I witto my iij executours, for ther labour, equally for to be devidid, iiij li. x s. Item I ordan and also constitutes my trew and faith[ful] executours, Sir Robert Hellerton presbyterum, and John Herryson husbandman, and William Smythson husbandman, and that thais iij executours a for named trewly execute and fulfill my will, os my speciall trust is in thame, and thay to allow thame self trewly, and also sufficiently, for ther expensez. Item lego Roberto Tailyour, filio meo spirituali, v s. Item lego to Johanne Agawbron, wonyng some tyme at Nonnebrynholme, v s.; and if the aforsaid woman be deid, I will that the aforsaid v s. be disposid for hir soull os *Messez* said for hir; and other some part to be disposid emonges poure people os the best may be for the well of soull. Also I wit my book callid Chatholicon untto the parishe kirk of Acclome. Item I will y^t^ my Portus w^t^ silver claspis be sold and disposid for the weill of my soull and all Christen soullis. Item I witto Corpus Christi gild in York x s. Item I witt untto the expensez enens the dynner at the day of my beriall xx s., and more, if neid require; and if y^t^ lesse seryff, that at leves over the xx s., gyff it to powre people. Also I witto the preist that synges the *Hye Messe* one the day of my beriall, and so fulfillis all the Observans after *Messe* and bowt my body to be beried, ij s. Also I will that the *Hie Messe* one the day of my beriall be on the Blissid Sacrament of the alter, scilicet, *Cibavit eos*, etc. Item I witto the parishe kirk of Setterington xl d. Item to the parishe kirke of Bushopwilton iiij s. Item lego for iiij trentall off *Messez* to be said for me, and all my gud doars and fryndes, xl s. Item lego to the supportacion of ley Stanfurth brigges iij s. iiij d. Item I wit to the supportacion of ly Buttercrame brigges iij s. iiij d. Also I

witto the supportacion of ly Thornthorp brigges iiij s. Item I witto the expensez in my viij day xvj s., and also more, if neid require. And if it happyn so that any thing remayn or leaff thar of, than it to be distributid emonges pore folk whar is most neid w^t^in the parishing. Also I witto to the expensez of my xij monyth day unto my *Derige*, wax, bread, and aill when the *Derige* is doyn, and also unto the dynner for preistes, clarkes, and other honest persons appon the morne after, xxvj s. viij d. and more, if neid be, at the gud and faithfull discretion of my executours; and if that any thing leaff or remayn thar of, it to be distribute emong powre pepill w^t^in the parishing. Also I witte unto the begynnyng uppe agayn of the stanys of the wallis of the porche of the parishe kirk of Acclome, after my beriall, x s. Item I witto ij or iij men that maikes my graiff in the day of my beriall, to ilk one of thame, iiij d. Item I witto unto ij or iij gud and discreit women that wyndes and lappis my body in one sheit, when y^t^ I am departid of this world, to ilk one of thame, iiij d. Item to ilk one of thame that beris me to the kirke to be beried iiij d. Item to ilk one of my goostly childer xvj d. Item I witt to the haill howsald of my maister's, Maister Chauncellor of York monasterry and parson of Acclome, equally for to be devidid, xx s. Item lego to every fyer hows w^t^in the parishing of Acclome, appon my viij^th^ day, iiij d. Item lego to every fyer howse w^t^in the parishing of Acclome, apon my xij monyth day, viij d. Item lego to Mylis Bulmar, aquibajulo nostro, ij s. Item to the parishe preist of Leppington iij s. iiij d. Item to the Abbot, or to the Prior, of Monnkbreton, x s. Also I witto every monnk or chanon of the same howse xx d. Item lego to the chappell of Leppington iiij s. Item lego to my woman servand xiij s. iiij d. Also hir haill yere wage w^t^ hir bounthes of the same yere. Also I witto every sone and doughter off Robert Cooke's of Berthorp iij s. iiij d. Item to Richard Androw of Birdsall, some tyme beyng sone to Hellyn Andrew of Payscroft, iij s. iiij d. Item lego to Sir William Busk, the vicar of Bugthorp, iij s. iiij d. Item to Sir Robert Herison iij s. iiij d. Item to Sir William Smythson iij s. iiij d. Also I will y^t^ the preist, the whilk shall syng for me, and my good doars, that he syng for me at Bugthorp the secund yere, y^t^ is to say, the first yere at Acclome, the secund yere at Bugthorp, and the third yere at Acclome agayn. Also I will y^t^ thar be kepid als mekill in stoir os may serve unto the expenses boith for my *Derige* and *Messe* at Bugthorp, and also for wax apon the herse; that is to say, iij serges to byrne appon the hyrsse the *Derige* tyme and *Messe* tyme, and also breid and aill unto thame that be at

Derige, and even of the lyek wyse I will it be the third yere apud Acclome. Item lego to Kateryn Spendillow tria nobilia aurea, unum suppellectule, and on pare of lynnon sheittes. Item lego unto the chappell of Sancte Agathe at Skirttynbek v s. Also I [wit] to the chanon y^t^ synges at the forsaid chappell at Skirttenbek xij d., and if y^ar^ syng two thar, than unto aither of thame xij d. Item I wit to the iij or iiij gud men y^t^ efter the day of my beriall praisse my guddes, to ilk one of thame, xij d. Residuum certanely of all my guddes, heir w^t^in this testament noght witt, my dettes, if thare be any, first trewly paid, also my funerall expenses for the tyme of iij yere weill and justly takyn owt, I will y^t^ it be shortly sold and shortly turned and gotten in to money, and it to be equally devidid onto Sanct John Baptist and Sanct Androw the Appostell, capital Sanctes under God of the aforsaid kirkes above named, that is to say, Acclome and Bugthorp, unto the wor shipp of God and thame, for ever more, Amen, etc. In to the witnes of the whilk writing I have putto my seale, thais men bering witnes, Sir Robert Hellerton chappelayn, John Herrison, Thomas Garbot, William Hellenys, William Smythson, John Rychardson, William Welborn, Mylys Cowthorp, William Acclome, Patric Johnson, Mylis Bulmar, aquibajulo, cum aliis, etc.

Also, more over, I will that if my aforsaid executours will take on hand to occupie and performe my aforsaid testament and will w^t^ owttyn any supervisour, os I trust to God thay may, that thay have the same xl s., xiij s. iiij d. above named unto thair owen behove and unto thame self, for to doo y^ar^ owne neides y^ar^ with, os y^al^ thynk the best. Also I woll y^t^ my mortuarie, if so be y^t^ it goe not forth nedfully after the old costom and maner, than it to be sold and delt emonges powre people. Also I will y^t^ the preist, the whilk shall syng or say *Messe* for me and my gud fryndes, os above aperis, y^t^ he enter shortly frome hand after y^t^ God have takyn me unto His mercy, y^t^ is to say als soyn after os possible requiris. Item lego Margaretæ Cooke, quondam uxori Johannis Cooke de Berthorp, iij s. iiij d. Item lego domino Henrico Keght, magistri mei capellano, unum nobile aureum. Item lego Radulpho Savygie, procuratori de Acclome, v s. Item lego domino Thomæ More, vicario Lekyngfeld, iij s. iiij d. Item lego domino Johanni Waird, presbytero parochiali de Skirttynbek, iij s. iiij d. Item lego Annæ Levenyng, v s.

Item, os fore enens my dettes, I aw noyn, bot if it be unto the vetuler's howse, os may happyn, some halfpenny or some penny, wher I bought my caittes; for why, I usid all way, I

thank God, to pay even frome hand, and tharfor if thar be any noghty or injust person, what so maner of man or woman os ever y^ai be, y^t is to saye sibbe or forinend, spirituall or temporall, y^t wald chaunleges dett, whar os noyn is, trust thame never, for y^ai ar noght worthy to abide emong the trew Christyn people of o^r Saviour Christ Jhesu.

Per me dominum Edmund Cooke, vicar de Acclome.

[Pr. 7 Aug. 1531, adm. to ex^rx.]

CCIX. THE WILL OF JOHN MAUPAS OF BILTON IN HOLDERNESS.

[Reg. Test. x. 38.]

In the name of God, Amen. Memorandum that I, John Mawpas of Bilton in Holdernes in the countie of York, laborar, in the yere of our Lord God m^l v^c xxx, the xxx day of August, in hooll mynd and in good remembrance, makith my will in maner and forme folowing. I bequeith my saull to God and his mother Sanct Mary and to All Sancts in heven, and my bonys to be moldid w^t in the sanctwary of Swyne. Also I wit to the Priorise of Swyne one ambling colt foall. Item I wit to the Sacrament in Bilton chappell my wiff best kirtche. Item I wit to Alison Wadingham, for seing to my wiff and me in ouer siknes, my swyne hog. Also I wit to my suster Elizabeth ij^o kye. Also I wit to my brother Petur one amblynne mare and one fooll. The residew of my goddes, my will fulfillid, my dettes paid, I gyve to Janet my doghter whome I maik my executrix and she lyve, and, if shew dee w^t in age, I will the best cow be geven to the uphold of the chappell of Bilton; and the residew of the goodes my sustur Elsabeth to have for to dispose for ouer saulles. Witness Sir John Bell, preist.

[Pr. 31 Mar. 1531-2.]

CCX. TESTAMENTUM THOMÆ STREY.

[Reg. Test. x. 1.]

In the name of our Lord God, Amen. I, Thomas Strey, off Doncastre,* hole both of bodie and mynde, louing to God my Maker and Redemptor, the xiiij^the day of Novembre, the xxij

* A wealthy lawyer, practising at Doncaster. He was commemorated in the old church of Doncaster by a chantry and a tomb. See Hunter's 'South Yorkshire,' i. 41.

I give, as a note, the will of the testator's brother, Robert Strey, chantry-priest at Sprotborough.

yere of the reign of Kyng Henry the viijth (1530), makyth, ordyneth and declareth my last will and testament in maner and fourme foloyng. In primis, I bequeythe my saull to Allmyghty Gode, Creator and Redemptor of the same with His preciouse blode, and to our Lady, mayden and moder of our Lorde Jhesu Criste, and to all the holie companye of hevyn. Item, my cariouse bodye to be beride in the Trenite qweir, afor the image of the Blessede Trenyte, within the parisshe churche of Seynt George in Doncastre, if it happe me to departe frome this miserable warlde within the seid parisshe; and, elles, at the pleasure of God. Item I bequeythe for my mortuary x s.

1545, May 5. I Sr Robert Strey, preste, hole of mynde, and of good memorie, gyves thankes and louinges to Almightie God, makes my last will and testament in manner and forme followinge: ffirst and principally I bequeath my soull to Almightie God, oure Ladie Sancte Marie, and to all the celestiall company of heaven, my bodie to be buried within the churche of Sancte Georgie in Doncaster, in the Trinitie quere; and, for my principalles, accordinge to the Statute. To the church warke of Doncaster iij s. iiij d. To the vicar xij d. To every other preste of the churche of Doncaster beinge at my *Dirige* and burial viij d. To every preste of the countrie at my *Dirige* vj d. To Sr William Copley knyght one pare of bedes of tenne beades. To Frauncys Frobyser my counterpoynte, and one blake velvet jackett. To William Hothome one litle ringe of golde with a diamonde. To Sr Robert Hobson my best gowne, and one booke called *Vita Christi*. To John Hobson, alderman, one jacket of tawney velvett, and one nute. To John, Frauncys, Thomas, Richard, and William [Hobson] every one of theme vj s. viij d. To Alicie Richardson iij s. iiij d. To Jennet, Agnes, and Elyn Mounte xx li. to be devyded emonges theme, wherof ther is x li. in the handes of John Warde, and viij li. in the handes of Mr John Hobson, which viij li. shall be in his custodie to Agnes Mounte be eighten yeres of age; and the rest to be taken of my dettes, and it to be paid to theme at the age of xviij yeres by myne executors; and, if any of theme die, her parte to remayne to them that overliveth the other. To the said Jennet Mounte one grete silver salte with a cover all gilte. To the said Agnes one standinge pece with a cover all gilte. To the said Ellyn Mounte one goblett with one cover all gilte. Item I give to Sr Georgie Anderson, preste, xxvj s. viij d. to pray for my soull in Doncastre church. To Sr Thomas Grene, preste, xiij s. iiij d. to pray for my soull. To Agnes Mounte, wife of Roger Mounte, all my messuages, lands, &c., in Doncaster, Balbie, Exthorpe and Newton for her life (then to the heirs of her body: if none, to remain to John Hobson and his heirs for ever). I give one close in the lordshipe of Bentley, called Appill Holme, to Sr John Spinke, for terme of his lif, to pray for my soull, and all my frendes' soules in the parish church of Doncaster: and, ferther, the said close to be used accordinge to the dede of feoffament and a scedule thervnto annexed by me of it and other landes therof maide. I will that one yere's rent of Appilholme, beinge in the hande of Mr Hobson and due at Witsonday next, be bestowed of the reparacions of the bankes of the saide close. The residue to Jennet, Agnes and Elyn Mounte whome I make my executors, and they in the disposicion thereof to be ordered by Roger and Agnes Mounte, their father and mother. Supervisors, Frauncys Frobyser, John Hobson, and Sr Robert Hobson, preste, "and every one of theme to have for his labore x s." Witnesses: Sr John Spinke preste, Richarde Brayton, Robert Dobson, preste, and Frauncys Hobson. [Pr. 9th June, 1545.]

[Reg. Test. xiii. 24.]

according to the Statute. Item I bequeythe for tithes forgotyn iij s. iiij d. Item I bequeythe to oure Lady alter, to Seynt Thomas alter, to Seynt Nicholas alter, and to the Trynyte alter, and to Seynt John Baptiste alter, to iche of theym a vestiment to syng *Masse* in, the price of ychon of theym xl s. And also I bequeithe to Sir Robert Denton a c s. to the reparacions of his chauntre. Item I bequeithe to the Freres Carmelettes of Doncastre, to pray for me, and for Alice and Elizabethe, my wyffes, xx s. in money. Item I bequeith, in like maner, to the Freres Mynors xx mrc. Item to every preist whiche shalbe present at my *Dyryge* and *Masse* the day of my beriall, shall have for their labur viij d. Item I bequeith to Agnes Nutter, my syster doghter, v li., to her mariage, if she be ordered therin by my broder Sir Robert; and, elles, myn executors to dispose hit for the welthe of my saull. Item I bequeith to Francis Frobiser, Richard Pek, and Hewe Cressy, my clerkes, to every on of them x mc. And to Richarde Dawson and James Frankisshe, to eyther of theym xl s. And to every on of my woman servaunt, beyng in my service at the day of my departour frome this transitorie worlde, xx s. Item, to my executours a c marc, to by a sewyt of vestimentes to the church of Seynt George of Doncastre. Item to too children of Roger Mount xl. angell nobilles. Item I will my broder, Sir Robert, make on estate of landes and tenementes to the yerely value of viij marc vj s. viij d., for my chauntre and maynteynyng of my light over my tombe. Item to James Westby xx li. in money. Item to Anne Reyne x marc. Item to John Rawlynson x marc. Item to Sir Hobson, bachelor of arte, vij marc a yere to his exhibution at Cambrige, unto suche tyme as he be promotede to a liffyng. Item to Thomas Fulwode a drynkyn pott of silver. Item I bequeythe to the mendyng of the high wais betwyx the Frere brige and the Marie of the brige xl s. Item I bequeyth my broder, Sir Robert, all myn apparell belongyng to myselff. Item I bequeyth to my cosyn Hobson on gown. Item I bequeythe to Seynt Oswalde's abbey, Burton abbey, Pountfret abbey, and Roche abbey, to yche of theym xx s., to pray for my saull. Item I bequeythe to the Freres of Pountfrett & Tikhyll, to yche of theym x s. Item to my broder, Sir Richarde, iiij li. Item I bequethe to Braywell churche, & Connesburgh churche, to eyther of theym iij s. iiij d. Item I bequeyth xx li. to the mariage of pore maidens. Item I bequeth to Master Doctor of Grey Freres xxvj s. viij d., to bie hym a cotte. Item I bequeythe to Thomas Ellis my weddyng gowne. The residewe of my goodes, not bequethede, I giff & bequyth to Sir Robert Strey, Thomas Ellis, Frauncis Frobiser,

and John Hobson, whom I make myn executors of this my present testament and last will, to dispose for the healthe of my saull, and so that every on of theym shall have xx li. for his labur. Theis beyng witnes of this my said will Sir Thomas Kirkham, doctor of dyvinyte and warden of the Freres Minours in Doncaster, Thomas Fulwode, Hewe Cressy, and John Rawlynson.

[Pr. 30 Dec. 1530, adm. to the ex^rs.]

CCXI. THE WILL OF DAME MARGARET ZOUCHE.

[Reg. Test. x. 28.]

In Dei nomine, Amen, the xxj daie of the moneth of Novembre, the yere of oure Lord a thowsand fiyve hundreth and thirty, Dame Margaret Zowche, wydo, late the wiff of Sir John Zowch Knyght, make my testament or last will in maner and fourme foloyng. First I bequeith my soull to Almyghty God, and to Hys blessed moder Saynt Mary, and to all the holy company of hevyn, and my body to be beried in the parishe churche of Henor. Item I bequeith for my principall that at ys dew of right. Item I bequeith to my sonne, George Zowch, that part of a bed that he clamed for an heyr lome. Item my weddyng rynge. Item a dagger with stones. Item to hys wyff my crysom laces. Item I bequeath to my sonne, Henry Zowche, a flatt peyce of sylver, ij sylver spones, a trust bed with a fedder bed, blankettes, sheyttes and bolster with hyngynges of rede and yalow, and a bed coveryng of dornyx. Item I bequeith to my doghter, Mary, a goblet with a cover, and my warst salt with a cover, a kyrtyll of blak satten, iiij sylver spones, my best velvett bonett, an em of gold, a bed of dornyx, my best fedder bed with al thinges longyng therto, and all the hyngynges yat longes to the great chambre at Codnowre. Item I bequeith to my doghter, Elisabeth, a trust bed with a teester of grene and rede, my secund fedder bed, a ryng of gold, iiij sylver spones, a goblet w^toute cover, my best salt with the cover, a wolsted kyrtyll unmayde, and all my hyngynges of grene and rede, and al thing perteynyng to the foresayd fedder bed. Item I bequeith to Elisabeth Curson a fedder bed that she lyeth in, a blanket, a pare of mydlyng sheittes, a bolster, and a coverlett. Item I bequeith to my suster Sheffeld a bruche of gold. Item I bequeith to Cicyle Zowche the fur that is in my damask gowne; and to my son Henry the damask. Item to my two doghters a velvett gowne, Mary to chose whether she will have the gowne or the fur. Item I bequeith

to Edward Thurland a litle crosse of gold with stones in it. Item I wyll that all my napery ware, diaper, and othir, be divided bettwene my two doghtors. Item I bequeith to Elisabeth Hunt my secund velvett bonett, and x s. Item to my cooke x s. Item to Richard, my servaunt, a bay nagg, and vj s. viij d. Item to Clerk, my baylye, a yong colte. Item to John, my servaunt, a yong best. Item to the madyn that came to me last, xij d. Item to the othir that came before her, ij s. Item to everychon of my hynes iiij s. iiij d. Item to Margarett Lane a calf. Item to Margaret Danport a calf. Item I will yt at the daie of my bereall that I be broght home after my degre and power, at the discreccion of my brother, Sir John Willoghby, and myn executours. Item I will that a hole yere after my departyng, fyve tapers burne over me every holy daie in service tyme that yere. Item I bequeith to a preist, to syng a trentall of *Masses* for my husbond saule and myn, x s. Item, when I am broght home, and my dettes payd, if the residew of my goode will extend, I wold have a preist to syng a hole yere for my husbond soule and myn. Item I beseke my sonne George of my blessyng to be goode brother to my two doghters, and naturally help yame to hys power. The residew, forsoth, of my goodes, abuff nott beqweithed, I leve with my sonne, Henry Zowche, and my cosyn, Henry Grey Esquier, and my twoo doghters, Mary and Elisabeth, whiche foure I make myn executours, to dispose the resydew of my goodes, above not bequeithed, as they thynk best, to the pleasour of God and helth of my saule. Item I beseke my brother, Sir John Willoghby, to be supervisour of this my last wyll, and se myn executours trewly performe itt. These being wytnes Sir William Halam preist, Richard Wydoson, and Elles Badcok yomen, and Sir Richard Smyth, parson of Wollaton. Gyffen att Chilwell, the daie and yere aforesayd.

[Pr. 8th March, 1530–1, adm. to **Mary**, one of the ex^{rs}, the others renouncing.]

CCXII. THE WILL OF Wm LERYFFAX OF BEVERLEY, DRAPER.

[Reg. Test. x. 82.]

Dec. 22, 1530. William Leryffax of Beverlay, draper. To be buried in the church of our Blissed Lady in Beverlay, nygh unto the grave of Robert Leryffax, my father, if it pleasse Almyghty God yt I depart frome this world in Beverlay; and, ellys, I will it be buried in the next holy ground, where it shall please Almyghty God to call me frome this wriched world. To

Elyn Leryffax, my mother, x li. To Anne, my wyff, one half messe . . . so yt she upphold and reparacion it. If Robert, my son, dye . . . my supervisores shall sell the forsaid howse . . . & by a cope of welwet and a westment of the same, with two tunicles, two copies to stand in the qwhere w^t an ymage of gold of Sanct John of Beverlay of yche one of thame, and litill ymages of Sanct George in gold, and iiij lettirs of gold of yche one of thame, W and L., R and an L., yff the money will mount so fer; or, els, so fer as the money will goo; iff the money will mount farther, it is my will to have other two copies for ij clerkes to stand in of some other thyng nere unto the same colour; and, iff ony thyng remayn, I will that the said supervisores doo bestow it in such thynges as y^ai shall thynke moste necessary for the mayntenyng of the service of Almyghty God. I gyve unto my Lord, Thomas Prior of Watton, a woman's gowne of tawny damaske without sleves to his owen use, and to doo with as he will. To my Lord, Richard abbot of Meuxe, a kirtill of tawny sattyn to his use, besechyng thame boith that thay wil be gud lordes with Robert, my son, yf it please thame to have his witword and porcion in keping, that y^ai may knaw how it is spendid in his bringing uppe, for I holy putt hym and it to thar ordering and off Maister Robert Waid, and in no way that he be in his mother' keping.

CCXIII. THE WILL OF JOHN WADELUFF.

[Reg. Test. x. 69.]

Dec. 28, 1530. John Wadeluff, of the parishing of Darfeld. To be beried w^tin the church of Alhalowis in Darfeld, betwene the pictor of Seynt Sonday,* and the pictor of Seynt Erasmus, in the north syde of the church. To the ornamentes of our Lady alter xij d. To the ornamentes of Seynt Jamez alter viij d. . . . To the reparacion of a new Rode loft in Darfeld church x markes, yff it be begune w^tin thre yeres next comyng; and, if it be nott begune w^tin thre yeres, then I will that my executores disposse the said x markes, as they thynk best, for the helth of my soull. I gyff a hyeff of beis to keip the lyght afore Seynt Sonday and Seynt Erasmus. To a preist, to syng for my soule in the church of Darfeld, the space of thre yeres, to be put in by my executores, xviij markes. To the reparacion of Darfeld brige vj s. viij d. To the reparelling of Merle brig xiij s. iiij d. To the mending of Byllyngley bryge vj s. viij d. To the mending of the way at Hallfeld knoll x s. Son Robert W. his wife and children. Bror Mr Thos W.

* This will surprise many. There are other instances.

CCXIV. THE WILL OF JOHN LEDUM OF WHITBY.

[Reg. Test. x. 37.]

In the name of God, Amen. The yere of our Lorde God, a thowsand, fyve hundreth and thirtye, the iiijth daie of Febr', I John Ledum,* burges of Whytby, being of hoole mynd and goode remembrance, ordeyneth and makyth my testament and last will in manner and forme foloyng. Furst, I bequeith my soule to Almyghtie God, and to Hys blessed mother our Lady Saynt Mary, and to all the celestiallie company in hevyn; and my body to be buryed within ye church of Whytby. Also I bequeith for my buriall vj s. viij d. Also to the hye altar, for my forgotten tythes, x s. Also to my Lord Abbot, for absolucion, x s. Also to M. Prior iij s. iiij d. and to echone of the brether ij s., to sai *Mes* and *Dirige* for my saule. Also I will that the way betwixt my closse end and Floyrgate crosse be mayd. Also to makyng owte of the way in Wharrell lone xx s. Also to my Lord Prior of Guysburn, for absolucion, vj s. viij d. And to the brethern, for *Messe* and *Dirigie*, xx s. Also to the Frears of Hertilpole v s. And to the Frears Observaundes of Newcastell v s. And to the Frears of Allerton v s. And to the Frears of Yarom v s. Also to the Frears Austen of Yorke, v s. Also to the Frears of Gromund vj s. viij d. Also to the thre Orders of Scardburgh, eche on yame, v s. Also I bequeith to John Pacok, for the behufe and kepyng of Agnes Johnson, vj li. xiij s. iiij d. Also Rycherd Johnson, xx s. and a jakkett. Also I bequeith to Elisabeth Sokysforth xl s. Also to Agnes, her suster, xx s. And to Janett Postgate xx s. And to Laurence Massom iij li. vj s. viij d. Also to Robert Dayll wyff x s. And to thirtene poore madens mariages iiij li. vj s. viij d. Also I bequeith a mattres, ij coverlettes, ij blankettes, iiij sheyttes, a bolster, and ij coddes, for to make a bed to refresshe poer people; &, to the kepar of itt, iij s. iiij d. Also I bequeith to a preist, to syng for me and my wiff vij yeres, xxviij li. vj s. viij d., and to fynde hym breide and wyne, the whiche I wyll Sir Thomas Watson have so longe he pleas. Also to Sir John Roger v s. And to Sir Thomas Russell v s. And to Sir John Kyldale iij s. iiij d. And to the churche halowyng, if it go furthwardes, xl s., and, if nott, it to remayn to my supervisors, that they may dispose it for the health of my soule and my wiffes. Also to the kyrk wark xiij s. iiij d. Also to the peir,

* The will of an honest, charitable man, throwing much light upon the early history of Whitby.

if it go furthwardes, xl s. Also to George Bushell my horse, or elles xl s., and to hys wyff a peyce of sylver. Also, for ten yere, ten chawder of coilles, for to be distributed to poore people, l s. Also to kepe vij li. wax vij yere in serges, one afore the Sacrament, one afore the Rode, one afore our Lady of Pitie, one afore Saynt John, one afore Saynt Kateryn, one afore our Lady byhynd the hye altar in the Abbay churche, an other afore Saynt Hylde, xxx s. Also xiij garmentes to xiij pore people, xl s. Also to Fylyng churche iij s. iiij d. Also to Awskarth chapell iij s. iiij d. Also to Dunslay chapell iij s. iiij d. And to Sander Jonnson a why. And to Herry Lasynby a sylver spone. And to Sir Richard Lasynby a belt dight with sylver. Also to Cristofer Roger a silver spone. Also to Gregory Pacok a masser and sex sylver spones. And to Agnes Pacok my best masser, my best peyse, & x sylver spones. Also to Elisabeth Pacok a masser, and vj sylver spones. Also to Alison Marchand iij s. iiij d., or, elles, a belt dight with silver. Also to Robert Rede, sonne of John Rede, a whye. Also to Margaret Rede, hys suster, iij s. iiij d. Also I will that Robert Dayll wyff and her ij sonnes have xij yerdes of the aforesayd garmentes. Also Agnes Pacok my best belt and my best beedes. Also to Elisabeth Pacok my next best belt and beedes. Also Elizabeth Wryght a yonge cow. Also Janet Baxter a cow. Also to Gregory Pacok x li. And to Agnes Pacok, hys suster, x li. And Elizabeth Pacok x li. Providit alway that and if the afore sayd Gregory, Agnes, & Elizabeth depart furth of this world to the marcy of God, then I will that the goodes of theym that so departyth shal be divided in thre partiez, that is to say, ij partes to the othir childer then beyng alyve, and the third parte to be distributed for my soule and my wiffe's soule. Also I giff to Robert Merley ij yonge oxen. And to Cristofer Postgate child a why. And to yonge Richerd Johnson vj stone of hemp and a nett and a warrope. Also to Janet Pacok iij s. iiij d. Also I giff to Saynt Nynian in Scotland vj s. viij d. And twenty stone hempe to be delt to pore fyshermen. Also I bequeith to iche altar in the Abbay churche one pound wax. And to Handell abbay v s. And to Margaret Wright iij s. iiij d. And to William Fletchar a whye. And to John Roger a stott. And for v *Messe* bookes x s. And to the stallyng of the parishe church x li. And to Herry Herryson a quarter of whete. And to Sir Thomas Watson a jakket. And to Herry Wower a jakkett. And to George Sykysworth a jakket and a payre of hoose. And to iche of Robert Merley childre a wedder or a yowe. Also I will that all suche bargans as George Bushell and I er compercioners att, thatt Sir Rychard Merley and John

Pacok shall have and use yame to y^r most profett and advauntage. Also I ordeyn and make Agnes Pacok to my full and hoole executrix of suche goodes as shall remayn after my will be fulfilled, and othir thynges, whiche I put unto the discrecion of my supervisours of this my testament and last will; whome I ordeyn and make Sir Rychard Marley and John Pacok. And eyther of yame to have for there labour xl s. and all y^r costes born. And the said Sir Rychard and John to be full and hooll mynysters, to order and fulfyll thys my hooll and last wyll, who I putt in full strength, power, and auctoritie, as well to have the order, rewle, and guydyng of the sayd Agnes Pacok, Gregory Pacok, and Elizabeth Pacok, as of the goodes committed unto yame by thys my will. And if the sayd Agnes, Gregory, and Elisabeth, or any of yame, wil not be orderd by the said Sir Richard and John, then the sayd Sir Richard Marley and John Pacok to order and dispose the goodes assigned and limitted by thys will to yame who will refuse to be at y^r order and rewle and guydyng as the said Sir Richard and John shall thynk best. Theiȝ witnessys, George Bushell, John Agar, Richard Clerk brewer, John Cokay, with many oyer moo.

CCXV. THE WILL OF THOMAS SMYTH OF PONTEFRACT, ALDERMAN.

[Reg. Test. x. 91.]

Feb. 14, 1530–1. Thomas Smyth, of Pontefret, Alderman.* To be beried w^tin the parishe chirch off Allhallowis in Ponte-

* 4 Aug. 1529. William Mares, oderwise called William Purser, of Pomfrete, alderman. To be beryed within the parishe kyrke of All hallowes in Pomfrete, of the sawthe side the gilde quere. To my mortuarie, my beste beiste and my harnes, of free will, to bee prayed for. To Jhesus gilde xij d. To Saincte Thomas alter vj d. For iiij candles at my *Dirigie* and *Saule Messe* vj d. To the parishe preiste, the Ladie preiste, and the gilde preiste of Saincte Giles chapell, to every one of theme being at my *Saule Messe* and *Dirigie*, iiij d. I will that the iiij kirke maisters, being at my *Obite* and *Saule Messe*, ij of theme to offer an halfpenye, and th'oder ij an oder halfpenye of theire owne purses, & one of my feoffes to offer my hede messe penye. The residew of the viij s. to be disposed in brede and aile to poore people. [Reg. Test. ix. 472.]

[Pr. 2 Dec. 1529.]

25 Nov. 1529. Roger Ward, alderman of Pontefract. To bee buryed in my parishe churche yearde of All halowes in Pomfrete, nygh northe dore. I bewit to everye preiste at Saincte Egidie chapell viij d., beside dutyes of churche, to saye *Miserere Psalme* and *De Profundis* for my saule. I wit to Acworthe churche for ever one house w^t a garthing in Nether Acworthe, at Meresyde, wiche John Warde, my uncle, dwelles in. [Reg. Test. ix. 478.]

[Pr. 4 Apr. 1530.]

fret, in the south syde of the said church, nere unto the gylde qwere of Corporis Christi. Also I gyve and bequeth to the Prior of Monastary of Sanct John the Evangelist, and to the Convent, to the intent to be absolved in the chapitour hows, and to have one *Derige* and one *Sall Messe* the day of my beriall, or else w^t^in the space of ij dayes then next foloyng, x s. Also I gyff and bequeith to every preist in the parishe church, and in the chappell of Sanct Gylis, beyng at my *Derige* and *Saull Messe*, the day of my beriall, vj d. Also I gyve and bequeith to the Freers in Pontefret, to the intent to have one *Derige* and one *Saull Messe* the day of my beriall, or els in the mornyng next folowing and insewing, v s. Also I gyve and bequeith to the chappell of Sanct Antony in Cartmell feld, in the parishing of Cartmell, one chales, in valow xl s. Also I gyff and bequeith to the mendyng of the caussay in the layn y^t^ goeth to Fethirstone more v s. Also I gyve and bequeith to our Lady service in the chappell of Sanct Gillis in Pontefret one litill crosse of silver, to the intent to have my name regest in our Lady *Messe* boik in the Canon, that my saull, and my wyff saull, w^t^ all Christen saullis, may be praid for by the preist y^t^ is now in present; and w^t^ all other y^t^ is to come, as long as the service doith indure and last. Also I gyff and bequeith to every one of my god childer iiij d. Also I gyff and bequeith to Margarett Anderson, my servaunt, one reid whye. Also I gyff and bequeith to Alyson Elslay, my servaunt, on blak whye. Also I gyff and bequeith to Agnes Cowhill, my servaunt, on yong reid whye. The residew of all my guddes, not bequethed, my dettes paid, and my funerall expense3 maid the day of my beriall, I gyff thame hoolly and frely to E3abell Smyth, my wyff, the which Isabell I ordan and make myn executrix off this my testament and last will. Thes beyng witnes, Sir Thomas Looge, Lyonell Roulston, Robert Gregson, Nycholes Akland, and John Rodley, w^t^ other moo. Maid and gyvyn at Pontefrett, the day and yere above writtyn.

[Pr. 26 Sept. 1531.]

CCXVI. THE WILL OF ROBERT DENTON OF DONCASTER, CHAPLAIN.

[Reg. Test. x. 99.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. Anno Domini, m^mo^ quinquagesimo xxxj^mo^, octavo die mensis Augusti, I, Sir Robert Denton, of Doncaster,* preist, beyng of hoill wit, ordans and makes my

* One of the clerical staff at Doncaster His will is evidently self-made, and is interesting in language and feeling.

testament and last will in maner and forme folouyng. In primis, I gyff my saull to Almyghty God, our Lady Sanct Marie Virgin, and all the Blissid Compeny of Hevyn; and my body to be beried in the parishe church of Sanct George of Doncaster, betwixt Sanct Christofer and the fount; and the day of my beriall a principall *Derige* w^t^ the *Suffrage*, and every preist of Sanct George kirk to have vj d. and the cursse viij d. and the parishe preist xij d. And to the Vicar, to say *Messe*, *Placebo*, and *Derige* for my saull, xij d.; if he will not, I will he have nothing. Item I wit to Sanct Peter wark of York mynster iij s. iiij d. Item to the Gray Freeres, for one *Messe* of *Requiem* yerely to be said, and the belman to go, after the custome, xiij d. Item I wit to the Freers Carmeltanes, after the said maner of the Gray Freers. Item I wit to the parishe church of Sanct George of Doncaster, after the said maner, one Obit *Messe* of xiij d. to the day that I am beried appon, and the *Messez* at the Freers on ij holy days next after as long as my feoffees lyffes; and, after the deth, I will at the *Messez* at the Freers sease at boith the Freers, and shall retorne into a principall *Derige* in Sanct George kirk of Doncaster, to be selebrait w^t^ a Obit *Messe* yerely for ever more, for my saull and my factores, and all Cristen saullis, and yes *Messez* and my principall *Derige* be doyn yerely of all my landes, as is afore writtyn, be my feoffes, Thomas Ellis and Sir Edmund Smyth preist, duryng yer lyffes. Item [I] will y^t^ Elizabeth, my brother doughter, have prophettes of my howse in Marsegate to hir releiff, when she commys to yeres of mariege, or is maried, for terme of hir lyeff; and, after hir deceasse, then I will the said mease returne agayn to my said feoffes, Thomas Ellys, and Sir Edmund Smyth, she bering charge of the said mease for hir quantetie, and all charges concernyng my testament. Item I will y^t^ my said feoffes have all my landes to ther owne use duryng ther lyffes, except the meysses afore writtyn. Item I will y^t^ my said feoffes deill in almose in v principall feastes in the yere, in every feast iiij d. Item I will y^t^ my feoffes make sure all my landes, when y^ai^ ar in helth, y^t^ after the decease of thame, my afore writtyn principall Obit may be doyn trewly every yere perpetually after ther decease, as is before writtyn, yerely, the valour of it vj s. viij d.: and to be takyn owt of all my holle landes for ever more, and yai to put all the residew of my landes to some charitable warkes in the parishe church of Doncaster. Item I wit to Sanct George church a cope of reid silke, ye price of xl s., and written on the orfray of the bak *Den*, and, be neith, an *tonne*, for my name. Item I wit to M. Ellis my best gowne. Item I wit to Sir Edmund Smyth my gowne

best bot one. Item I wit to Maistres Ellis my fether bed, so y^{t} she gyff Elizabeth Denton a mattres, when she commys to age of mariege. Item I wit to y^{t} Rychard Denton and Elizabeth, his syster, certan guddes, which shal be named, w^{t}in my chaumbre, y^{t} is to say, all my nappre wair, beddyng, rayment, y^{t} is not gevyn, w^{t} pewder vesell, pottes and candil stikes, chistes, formes, chares, payntid clothes, stuylis, and bedstokes, y^{t} is not in my chaumbre; and all my bookes, except iij y^{t} I wit to Sir Edmund Smyth; y^{al} be on Sanct August' ad Fratres in heremo, Landulphus de Vita Christi, and the Decretals; and, after his deth, it is my will y^{t} he wit y^{ame} to Doncastre church y^{t} we may be prayed for. And all the residew of my said bookes to Rychard Denton. Also I will y^{t} Thomas Ellis and Sir Edmund Smyth have the gyding of all the guddes unto the said Rychard and Elizabeth com to laufull age, as my trust is in thame. The residew of all my guddes, above not bequethed, I gyff and bequeith to Thomas Ellis and Sir Edmund Smyth, and all my dettes y^{t} is awyng to me y^{t} y^{al} gett thame; whom I ordan and makes my trew and laufull executores, to dispose for the helth of my saull as y^{al} thynk best. Thes bering witnes, Sir John Silvester preist, Johannes Hobson, Johannes Dey; and every witnes off this testament I wit xij d., w^{t} other mo, the day and yere above named.

[Pr. 10 Nov. 1531.]

CCXVII. THE WILL OF GEORGE FUESTER.

[Reg. Test. x. 79 *b*.]

Sept. 24, 1531. George Fuister,* of the parish of Kirkham. I bequeith my saull to the gudnes of God, to our Blissid Lady, and to the holy compeny of hevyn, to be menars to pray for me; my body to be beried in the church befor the pictour of the roid, in the south ile where Jhesus *mese* is downe. To my lord, the Prior of Kirkham, one nobill of the George. To every brother in the abba xij d., for synging *Messe* & *Derige* at my beriall. To the hye alter, for my teithes necgligently forgotten, my best blak cowe that gois w^{t} Rychard Assleby. To the chapell w^{t} owt the gattes ij wedders. I bequeith one alter cloith before the roid in the south ile. Also I will y^{t} my wyff shall keip one serge byrnyng at the dyvyne service before the same roid appon my herse, the space of one yere. To my Lord Prior iij s. iiij d., for my assolment. To Umfrey, my brother,

* A servant or retainer at Kirkham Abbey.

my levera jakett. To my suster Johan my jakitt that I maid of my wedding gowne. To Sir James, to pray for me, xij d. I will y^t my wyff immediatly after my decesse gyve to evere howsse w^tin Kirkham j d., & she shall disposse emonges my neghbours such meit & drynk as she can provide at my beriall.

[Pr. 20 Oct.]

CCXVIII. THE WILL OF SIR WILLIAM BULMER THE ELDER, KNIGHT.

[Reg. Test. x. 105.]

In Dei nomine, Amen. The vj^th day of Octobre, the yere of our Lord God a thousand fyve hundreth thirtie and one, I, Sir William Bulmer,* the elder, knyght, of hooll mynd and gud remembrance, ordenith and makith my last will in maner

* This is the first will of a Bulmer of Wilton that exists.

May 1, 1444. Adm. Sir Ralph Bulmer, knt., granted to Wm. Lambert, chaplain (Reg. Test. ii. 79 *a*).

Nov. 14, 1463. Adm. Sir Wm Bulmer, knt., to Eliz. Bulmer, his widow (Reg. Test. ii. 592 *a*).

Sept. 19, 1486. Adm. Sir Ralph Bulmer of Wilton, knt., to Wm. Bulmer of Wilton, his son (Reg. Test. v. 291 *b*).

It will be seen, therefore, that the father, grandfather, and great-grandfather of the testator left no wills behind them. The present will, therefore, is of unusual interest and throws a flood of light upon the history of the Bulmers and of the district in which they lived.

Sir William Bulmer was one of the commanders at the battle of Flodden and was a bold and skilful soldier. He married Margery Conyers of Hornby. The ancient castle of Wilton stood on one of the most picturesque sites in Cleveland and was pulled down, not so very long ago, to make place for a modern structure, erected by the Lowthers. Every trace of the Bulmers has long ago disappeared from the district, with the exception of two or three fine effigies which are now exposed to wind and weather in the churchyard.

Sir William's Will shows that he was a man of business, with a clear head; proud, and justly proud, of his family; pious also and considerate for his retainers and domestics. The little chapel of St. Ellen stood on the village green and had but a brief existence. Little did the testator imagine when he was devising almost every precaution to secure the permanence of his family and foundations, that, within six years, utter ruin would overwhelm his eldest son and his estate.

The Inq. p. m. of Sir William Bulmer was taken on June 11, 24th Hen. VIII., in which Sir John Bulmer was found to be his son and heir, then aged 40 and more. Sir John was twice married. His first wife was Anne dau. of Sir Ralph Bigod of Settrington. His second wife (if he was married at all) was Margaret, said to have been an illegitimate daughter of Edward Stafford, Duke of Buckingham, by whom he had several children, born before wedlock.

In 1537 Sir John and his wife were drawn into Aske's rebellion, influenced by Sir Francis Bigod, his nephew. Husband and wife paid the penalty for their offence. Sir John was hanged, drawn, and quartered at Tyburn, and his wife burnt at Smithfield. In the indictment she is styled 'Margaret wife of Wm Cheyne late of London Esq,' as if some doubt was thrown upon her mar-

and forme folouing. Furst, I gyve and bequeith my soull unto Almyghty God, and to His blissid Moder, our Lady Sanct Marie, and to all the celestiall compeny of hevyn, and my body to be beried in the church of Lethome, if I dye w^t^in the parishe. Also I gyff and bequeith [*blank*]. Also I will yt my dettes be furst paid. Also I gyve and bequeith to the church of Lethome sex poundes. Also I gyff and bequeith to the church of Wilton ten poundes. Also I gyff and bequeith to the howse of Guysborn ten poundes, & to every of my brethern of Guysborn ij s., to pray for me; and to the Prior vj s. viij d. Also I gyff and bequeith to the iiij Orders of Freers, every of thame x s.; and to the Observandes x s. And to the College of Standrop, to the priestes thare, x s. And to the Mowntgrace, to every brother thar, ij s. Also I gyff to the Freers of Hertilpooll, Allerton, and Yarome, every of yame vj s. viij d. Also I will y^t^ a preist be found to syng for me, and for the saullis of my father and mother, and for my wyff saull, and for all the saullis y^t^ I am bound to pray for, and all Christen saullis, for the terme of vij yeres imediatly next after my deth, and the said preist to have every yere seven marces, and this to be taken of my guddes. Also I gyff unto my son, Sir John Bulmer, my best chyne of gold which is in weght one hundreth poundes, and desyrith hym to leiff it unto his son and heir. Also I gyff unto my son, Sir Rauff Bulmer, my secund chyne of gold, which is in weght a hundreth marces, and desyrith hym in lyek maner to leiff it unto his sone and heir, if he have ony; if he be not otherwise charged that he may not, then he to bestow it as he shall seyme gud. Also I will y^t^ my son, Sir William Bulmer, have one chyne of gold worth one hundreth marces, or els a hundreth marces to make a chyne of; willing hym in lyek maner to leiff it unto Fraunces Bulmer, his son and heir, in lyek forme as I have willid his brother, Sir Rauff. Also I gyff unto my son, Sir John Bulmer, my best gowne and my best dublet. And I gyff unto his wyff twenty poundes, and hertilie desyreth hym to latt hir doo w^t^ it what she will w^t^ owt

riage to Bulmer. Sir John's eldest son, Ralph Bulmer, was also tried for complicity in the same offence, but was acquitted. He was afterwards restored, as far as blood was concerned, but his estates seem to have been forfeited and lost.

Sir Ralph Bulmer, the second son, married Anne dau. and coheir of Roger Aske of Aske, near Richmond, but died without issue. This alliance explains Sir William's bequests to the Abbey of St. Agatha (Easby), near Richmond, in behalf of the Askes.

Sir William Bulmer, the third son, married the heiress of the Elmdens of Elmden, co. Durham. He steered clear of the conspiracy which wrecked the fortunes of his eldest brother, but misfortune came upon his own descendants in the third and fourth generation. Their history, if it were told, would almost appear too strange to be true.

any displeasour, of my blissyng. Also I gyff unto my son, George Salvyn,* my best tawny velvet gowyn, and to his wyff twenty poundes, and desyreth hym to suffer hir to doo w^t^ it what she will. Also I gyff unto my son, Sir Rauff Bulmer, my best blak velvet gowne, and to his wyff twenty poundes, and desyrith hym to suffer hir to doo w^t^ it what she will. Also I gyff unto my son, Sir William Bulmer, one other of my velvet gownys, and to his wyff twenty poundes, and praith hym to doo as I have willid his brothers to doo. Also I will y^t^ Rauff Bulmer, my son Sir John Bulmer son, haith twenty poundes. Also I will y^t^ my son, William Bulmer, have iij li. vj s. viij d. Also I will y^t^ my son, Syr Rauff Bulmer, have, to his eldest doughter marieg, a hundreth marces, wherof twenty poundes is paid. Also I gyve unto my son, Mathew Boynton,† ten poundes, and to his wyff v marces. Also I gyve unto my son, Sir William Bulmer, fyve childer, every of y^ame^ xx li. towardes ther marieg. Also I will y^t^ my nephay and godson, William Hedlame, have twenty poundes. Also I will y^t^ my nephay, Rauff Hedlame, have twenty poundes. Also I will y^t^ Frances Salven have [*blank*]. Also I will that every gentilman y^t^ is my servaunt, takyng wages, or no wages, have xx s., and every yoman xiij s. iiij d., and every grome x s. Also I will y^t^ every preist of Lethome and Wilton, and beyng not of my hushold, and dwellers in Willton and Lethome have every of y^ame^ vj s. viij d. Also I will y^t^ this my will be not prejudiciall nor hurtfull to noyn of my other willes. I will that whereas I had of myn uncle, William Bulmer, of Hertilpooll, forty marces, to have paid unto Jeyn Robynson, bastard doughter of my said uncle, which forty marces I did pay unto my Lord of Wynchester for my said uncle, yitt, y^t^ not w^t^standing, insomych as I had the handling of the said money, I will y^t^ myn executores either recompence the said Jeyn Robynson, or William Robynson, hir husband, for the same. Also I will y^t^ myn executores gyff unto the hows of Sanct Agathe ‡ fower poundes yerely unto the somme of one hundreth marces be ronne, w^t^ that which I have paid sence the deth of my uncle Aske; and to the Abbot to cause a chanon to syng at the parishe church of Eisby according to the will of myn uncle Aske, unto such tyme as the said hundreth marces be ronne, w^t^ that I have paid. And if the Abbot will not so doo, then I will that myn executores take as mych of myn guddes, over

* Margery Bulmer marr. George son and heir of Sir Ralph Salvin.

† Matthew Boynton is said in the Visitation of 1584 to have marr. Anne dau of Sir *John* Bulmer.

‡ i.e. Easby Abbey, near Richmond.

& above the resydew of the hundreth marces unspent, and as mych more as will purches fower poundes landes yerely for ever more, to a preist to syng at the parish church of Eisby, for as mony yeres as the resydew of the hundreth marces will extend unto by that which is spent; and the said preist to pray for the saullis of myn uncle Aske, & myn awt Philice, and for all the saullis y^t they wer bound to pray for, and for all Christen saullis; and, after that the said hundreth marces be paid, w^t y^t which is paid allredy, then I will y^t the said preist syng for ever more in one of the chappells at Wilton, which as myn heir or heres shall thynk gud; & yer to pray for the saullis aforsaid, and for the saulis of my father and mother, my wyff saull, and for my saull, and for all the saullis y^t I am bound to pray for, and for all Christen saullis, and the said preist to be at the nominacion of myn heir, if he be furth of wardship, &, if he be in wardship, then I will the nominacion of the said preist be at the next of my bloid beyng at full age, and if noe such of my bloid and named be, then I will for y^t tyme onely, or for als oft os it shall soo forton, that the said preist shal be at the nominacion of the Prior off Gisborn for the tyme beyng. Also I will y^t myn executores gyff unto my cosyn, Thomas Dalarever,* ten poundes, whether he will, in money or in guddes, as it is prasid. Also I will y^t fro the tyme my childer be servyd of the rayment which I have bequethed thame, that [*blank*] have the next best gowne; and the resydew of my raymentes not bequethed I will y^t it be bestowed emonges my servandes, by the discrescion of myn executores; furst to my servandes of my chambre, and such other os haith taken payn for me, and to the other of my servaundes, accordyng to ther deservyng. Also I ordeyn and make myn executores of this my last will my sonys Sir John Bulmer, Sir Rauff Bulmer, and Sir William Bulmer, to dispose the resydew of my guddes, not bequethed, for the well of my saull as y^ai shall thynk; and my son, Sir John Bulmer, to have for his labour twenty poundes; and my son, Sir Rauff Bulmer, for his labour, ten poundes; and my son, Sir William Bulmer, for his labour, ten poundes. And I will y^t all other charges abowt the performance of this my last will shal be borne of my guddes, so y^t y^ai take uppe thame to performe this my last will, by the advice and counsell of myn especiall gud lord, my Lord f Westmerland, my Lord Conyers, and my son, Sir Thomas Tempest, whome I orden and make supervisours of this my last

* Feb. 8, 1469–70, marr. lic. between Marm. De la River and Agnes Bulmer, in the chapel of Haddlesey. She was Sir Wm. Bulmer's aunt. Thomas De la River of Brandesby was the eldest son of Marmaduke.

will; and I moost humbly besykes my said gud lord, my Lord of Westmerland, and my Lord Conyers, and my son, Sir Thomas Tempest, y^{t} it will please thame to take the payn at this my powr request so to be; and, where as any dowt shall be emonges myn executores for eny thyng declared in this my will, y^{t} it may be determyned by thame; and, if ony of myn executores will not so be ordred, then I will by y^{is} my will y^{t} thay that will not so be ordred shall mynystre noyn of my guddes. And I gyff and bequeith unto my said gud lord, my Lord of Westmerland, for his payn and labour takyn herein, twentie poundes, and my best horse, if he be worth twenty nobils; and if he be not worth twenty nobils, then I will y^{t} he have twenty nobils, to by a horse w^{t} all. Also I will y^{t} my Lord Conyers have for his payn and labour taken herein a nest off bollis of silver w^{t} one coveryng, or els in money twenty poundes. Also I will y^{t} my said son, Sir Thomas Tempest, have for his payn and labour taken herein, vj li. xiij s. iiij d. Also I will my said gud lord, my Lord of Westmerland, my Lord Conyers, and my son, Sir Thomas Tempest, have thare costes borne of my guddes, for all such costes and charges as y^{ai} shal be put to at eny tyme for the performaunce of this my said will. Also as I have named my son, Sir John Bulmer, to have beyn one of myn executores, I will y^{t} he be noyn of thame, bot he to suffre his two brether luffyngly to occupy and mynystre all and every my guddes favorably w^{t}owten ony interrupcion of hym, and he to have for his so doyng and suffering thre hundreth poundes, and my chyne and hushold stuff at Wilton, which afore I have bequethed hym; and in lyek maner he to suffer his brether to have melling w^{t} my chauntre at Wilton, and to se the preistes and bead men thare to have at y^{ai} shuld have, and all other my servandes, according as I have bequethed thame. In witnes herof, I, the said Sir William, hathe set to my seall and subscribed my name, the day and yere abovesaid.

WILL AS TO LANDS.

This Will Indentid, 1st October, 23th Henry the Eght, witnessith that wher William Eure knyght, Sir Thomas Tempest, Rauff Bulmer, William Bulmer yonger, knyghtes, and Robert Bowes esquier, by force of Writt of Entre in le post, have recoverd ayenst me, Sir William Bulmer th'elder, knyght, twelf mesuages, ccxl^{ti} acres land, cc acres medow, and cc acres of pasture, w^{t} the appurtenaunce, in Sutton Dripoill and Staynferre, and also in the third parte of the maner of Sutton . . . to the use of my last Will. And where also the right honor-

able and my gud lord, Rauff Erle of Westmerland, and other his coefeffez, stand and be seasid . . of the maners of Sutcottes, Attynwyke, Foxston, Letle Buskby, Garton, et Langtoft, & my landes . . . w^t^in the cetie of Yorke . . to the performance of my last Will, Be it theirfor knawen that I . . ordenyth . . . that they shall stand & be seasid of and in all and every the premisez too and for the use of me, the said Sir William Bulmer th'elder, duryng my lyff naturall . . excepted certan landes & tenementes, percell of the premissez, to yerely valour of xx^li^, which I will y^t^ my son, John Bulmer, shall have, to sell or putt away at any tyme at his pleasour. After the deth of me . . . my feoffez to receyve cxl^li^ for the payment of my dettes and performaunce of my legacez . . . , then to be seasid . . to the use of Sir John Bulmer knyght, my son and heir apparent, for and duryng his lyff naturall; and, after his deth, to the use of Rauff Bulmer, son of the said Sir John Bulmer, & the heirs of his body laufully begotten . . , then to William Bulmer, brother of the said Rauff, etc . . (The other lands, etc., to go in the same way.) Providid alway that yff at any tyme here after it shall happen eny servauntes, gentilmen, or yomen, belonging to me, to be hurted or maned in my compeny in the tyme off warre or otherwyse, that then, as well the said Sir William Eure & other his recoverers . . . stonnde & be seasid of the said landes & tenementes, to the yerely cleir valor of xl s., to the use and behove of eny gentilman that is so hurted or maned in my service; . . to the valor of xxvj s. viij d. to the use and behove off eny yoman . . . , for the terme of their lyvez. Also I, the said Sir William, willith, . . they shall stand & be seasid of landes & tenementes lymitted by this Indentour of the performaunce of my Will, and for the performaunce & payment of ccc^th^ and xx^ti^ marces, to be paid to Thomas Layton Esquier, and his ex^rs^, of & for the mariege of Mathew Boynton, son and heir of the said Thomas, w^t^ Anne Bulmer doughter of the said Sir John Bulmer, yf y^t^ it happen the said Mathew and Anne to be maried togeders, . . and if it happen the said John Bulmer knyght to have any moo doughters, then . . to be seasid in ccc^th^ marces to and for the marieg of every doughter. . . I will y^t^ ye saide sommes of money so delivered frome tyme to tyme unto the Prior of Guysbron, to keip for the suertiez of the said Anne, and other doughter of the said Sir John Bulmer knyght, yf he happen to have any moo. Also I will that where uppon the convenauntes of mariege had betwyn me, the said Sir William, and Sir Rauff Bigod, of and for the mariege of John Bulmer knyght, my son and heir, and Anne

doughter of the said Syr Rauff, it was agreid, for the joynter and feoffement of the said Anne, laundes & tenementes in Bulmer, to the yerely valour of xx li., shuld be assigned and lymittid to the said John & Anne for terme of lyve . . I have assigned that my feoffes of my manor and lordiship of Throp Bulmer shall . . be seasid of lanndes . . to the yerely valour of xx^{li}, to the use of the said John & Anne . . in recompence of lanndes . . in Bulmer; always except and foresaved that such landes . . in Throp Bulmer as be assigned to & for the fyndyng of a preist be not parcell. My recoverers to be seaseid of lonndes . . to the yerely valor of xx^{ti} marces, to the use of Rauff Bulmer knyght, my son, for terme of his lyve, providid alway y^{t} if the said Rauff have lonnd, fee, or office to the yerely valour of xl^{ti} marces by me . . or els if y^{t} the said Rauff have . . the issues & profettes of lonndes & ten^{tes} in Marryke to the yerely valour of xl^{ti} marces . . uppon covenauntes of mariege betwix hym and Anne Aske, that then my recoverers . . . stonnd seaseid of the premisse3 to the use of the said John . . . and of xx^{ti} marces to the use and behove of William Bulmer, knyght, my son, for terme of his lyff . . provided alway (as just before) or els if the said William have . . yerely the issue3 . . of lanndes . . to the yerely valour of xl^{ti} marces lait William Elmden Esquier that then (as just before). . My feoffe3 to stand seasid of the reversion of all the lanndes . . lait William Mowbray, to the use of the said Sir John Bulmer for his lyff, & aftre his death to the use of Rauff his son. I will that Dame Anne Bulmer wyff of my son Sir John Bulmer knyght, & Anne Bulmer wyff of Rauff Bulmer, his son, by reason of noyn of thes recoverers . . be not barred of ther feoffmentes nor thyrdes. I will that my feoffes of the maners of Eysby, Boythorp, & Foxhallis be seasid therof, to and for the use of Rauff Bulmer, son of the said Sir John Bulmer knyght, & of Anne wyff of the said Rauff, for terme of ther lyves, and to the longar lyffer . . then to the heiris of the body of the said Rauff lefully begotten . . for defaute to William, his brother. Thes witnesse3 Jamys Prior of Gysbron, Thomas Percy esquier, Thomas Blith chanon, George Bulmer esquier, Sir Robert Ward chapleyn, Sir Rychard Merley parishe preist off Wilton, Thomas Blenkynsope, John Elder, Thomas Delarever, Umfra Lysle, Jerret Herron, William Whitby, Rychard Whitby, Peter Percie, etc.

FEOFFMENT.

Oct. 5th, 23rd Henry VIII. Feoffment of manors of Suttcottes, Attynwyke, Foxston, Litill Buskby, Garton, &

Langtoft, etc., & of lands, etc. in York to Ralph Earl of Westmerland, Sir John Lumley knight, Sir Chr. Conyers knight, Sir Thomas Tempest knt, Sir Thomas Hilton knt, Sir Ralph Bulmer knt, Sir Wm Bulmer jun. knt, Robert Bowes, Thos Delarever, Matthew Boynton, John Bentley, Esquiers, Thos Franke clerk, & Wm Belt.

AN ORDER FOR THE MAISTER AND HIS BREDER PREISTES AT SANCT ELEN CHAPELL IN WILTON, AND FOR THE BEIDMEN THEIR.

First, the said Maister shal be resident at the said chappell, uprysing and downe lying, and to say *Messe* dailie at the said chappell, when as he shalbe dysposid so to do; or, at the lest, upon the Holy day, the Wednysday and Friday; and at the lavytory of the *Messe* to torne hym abowt and say [*De Profundis*] on hyght, wt one humble, laudable voce, for the saulez of my fader and moder, my wyff, my uncle saules, myn awnt saullez, my breder saules, my suster saules, and for all my elder saulez, and for the prospirite of our sufferand lord the King, and my lord legatt, and my lord of Wynchester, wt all other lordes of his counsell, and for my childer.

Item the said Maister to say, two tymes in the weik, *Placebo* and *Derige*, wt the *Commendacions*, for all Christen saulls.

Item uppon the Holy day the Maister to dispose hym to say *Messe* at such resonable tyme of the day, so yt he may be at the church at *Hye Messe*, ther to help to mynystre devyn service; and the brether, beyng powre men, in lyk maner to be thar, havyng no resonable cause to the contrary.

Item the said Maister shall not at noo tyme absent hymself frome the chappell over the space of one day and one nyght wtowt licence, and not to be ofte.

Item the said Mr. being admit to the said service, shall leiff and depart frome it to noyn oder promocion wtowten the assent and consent of [*blank*].

Item if the said Mr depart furth of this world, being maister of the said chappell, shall leiff the third parte of his gudde to goo to the mayntenyng and upholding of the said chapell.

Item the said Maister shall enforme and teche such beidmen as shalbe at the said chapell to say thar *De Profundis* and the psalme *Miserere*.

Item the said Mr, at sex of cloke at morne and sex of cloke at nyght, cause the bell of the said chapell to be ronngen by one of the breder of the said chapell, as his course shall come abowt, by the space of one quarter of one howre; and the

said Maister and brether do resorte unto the said chapell by the bell sease ryngyng, and ther the said Maister to say *De Profundis* for all Cristen saullis, and especially for my father saull, and mother saull, my wyff saull, myn uncle Aske saull, and for my brother William Elmeden saull, and for ther wyffes' saullis, and for all the saullis y^t^ I am bound to pray for, and for all Cristen saullis; and the beidmen y^t^ can say *De Profundis*, and the said M^r^ shall in a treitable manner, of mesurable hight, y^t^ every manez voce may be herd, say *De Profundis* and *Miserere* psalme.

Item if ther be ony admitt to be brother y^t^ cannot say *De Profundis* and *Miserere* psalme, to say ther *Pater Noster*, ther *Ave* and *Creid* w^t^ the Salter of our Lady, unto such tyme as y^al^ can say *De Profundis* and *Miserere* salme.

And then the said Maister to say Mattens, or what other prayers it shall please hym, to such tyme as he go to *Messe*, and at the lavitory of the same *Messe* the same Maister to say, as afore is said, *De Profundis* w^t^ one humble, laudable voce, and the said brother in lyke maner to help hym, or els to say thame self: and after *Messe*, when the preist doith off his cloys, to say *Miserere* psalme.

And at Evensong the preist to say his Evensong in the chapell, except one resonable cause, and, after Evensong, to say in the honour of our Blissid Lady, *Salve Regina*, w^t^ *De Profundis* for all Cristen saulles, in lyke maner as is aforsaid.

And also to have in remembrance to pray for all my servauntes' saules y^t^ be departid furth of this world.

Item such days in the weik as the Maister shall say *Placebo* and *Derige*, w^t^ *Commendacions*, for all Cristen saulez, the said Maister to say it in chapell, and the said brether to be present at the same tyme to say the Salter of our Blissid Ladie and the Salter of our Lord.

And the oder preist, being brother unto the said M^r^, to say *Messe* daily at the church of Lethome, at our Ladye alter ther, or, at the lest, uppon the Holy day, Weddynsday, and Fryday, except a resonable cause to the contrarie; and to use hym self at the lavytorie of the *Messe* in lyke maner as the Maister shall doo at the said chapell of Sanct Elen's; and at such tyme as the M^r^ shalbe absent frome the said chappell of Sanct Elen's, then the said preist, being brother unto the said M^r^, to say *Messe* at the said chappell of Sanct Elen's.

And the said preist, being broder unto the said Maister, to use hym self in daily prayer after such maner as the Maister of the said chappell shall doo, and in all other causes like as is aforsaid.

And the [*blank*] beidmen to do such thynges as y^{ai} shalbe assigned unto, either to kepe garners, yaittes, makyng of hay, or such other necessaries and lyght labors, by the Maister of the same chapell.

And y^{t} every of said brether, every day in the weik, aither in the said chappell, or in the feldes or oder place where y^{ai} shalbe, to say dailye Salter of our Blissid Lady, w^{t} the Salter of our Lord.

And if ther be ony guddes or other thynges geven by ony person or persons hereafter to the mayntenyng and upholding of the said chapell of Sanct Elen's, or the M^{r}, broder, or beidmen of the same, y^{t} y^{ai} shall not y^{am} in ther prayers lykwyse as ther reward shalbe unto thame.

Always provided that if any of thame, aither the M^{r}, brother, or beidmen, happen to be disseasid or seik, so y^{t} at y^{t} tyme thay may not come to the said chappell of Sanct Elen's, to say such prayers as y^{ai} aught to doo, that to be maid knowen unto the parishe preist of Wilton for the tyme being, and he to shew it to me or myn heires; and y^{ai} to have licence to take ther easse for y^{t} tyme, and to say such prayers as y^{ai} resonable may.

And when any of the said M^{r}, brother, or beidmen departeth, y^{t} the said M^{r}, brother, to say *Placebo* and *Derige* with *Commendacions* for hym the day of his departing, or the morow next after; and the resydew of the brether to be at his beriall, to pray for hym; and, if he dye of no contagius seyknes, the said M^{r}, broder, and beidmen to go w^{t} hym to church to his beriall.

And ons in the moneth, the first yere y^{t} he departeth, the Maister and his broder to say *Placebo* and *Derige* with *Commendacions* for hym, and for all Cristen saules on oder day in the weik then is afore lymitid, and the residew of the breder to be present at that tyme, and to say such prayers as is meitlye for yame to say, and as y^{ai} shall thynk most pleasour to God and for all Cristen saulles.

FEOFFMENT.

Sept. 2, 20 Hen. VIII. Makes to Sir Chr. Conyers kt lord Conyers, Wm Eure, Thos Tempest, Thos Hilton, Ralph Bulmer, & Wm Bulmer of Elmeden co. Durham knts, Francis Bigod, Thos Dalarever esq^{rs}, Ralph Bulmer clerk, Cuthbert Fox, Peter Marshall & Richd Merley, chaplains, feoff^{t} of a house lately built by him in Wilton near St Elen's chapel, the Saltecoit hilles & other property (enumerated) in Egton, Estcotome, Marske, Kirklethome, Westcotome, Loftus, Leverton,

Newby, Kepyk, Baddersby, Litill Broughton, Flaxton, Strensall, Litill Barghe, Kirkby Overcar, Eston, & Normanby.

FARTHER RULES FOR THE MASTER, ETC.

In the honor of God, our Lady Sanct Marie, and in the worshipping of the holie Sanct Elyn, and to th'entent that my fader, my moder, my wyff, and all other my fryndes and lovers shuld and shall for ever be honored and prayd for in the chappell of Sanct Elyn's, w^t^in my heid severen of Wilton, w^t^in the countie of York, and for same entent, I, the said Sir William Bulmer, knyght, willight and declareth by this my will, y^t^ thar shalbe elect and chosen one honest preist, which preist shalbe by me and myn heires for ever, he, and his successours, the Maister of Sanct Elyn chappell; and the same preist so named by me to have to hym assigned one hows, chaumbre, w^t^ all thynges to the same belonging; and also y^t^ ther shalbe w^t^ hym associat one other honest preist, which preist shalbe named brother unto the said Maister: and the said Mr and brother, so named and appoyntid by me, to continew during ther lyeffe3 naturall at the said chapel of Sancte Elyn's; and to have to thame hows, chaumbre, and all other thynges necessary, at the same chappell off Sanct Elyn's during ther lyeffe3 naturall; and, at the lest, the one or boith of thame daily to say *Messe* at the said chapell of Sanct Elyn's, and ther to pray for me, my fader, my moder, my wyff, and all other my gud fryndes and luffers during ther said lyffe3 naturall. And for the continuance and prayers of the said Maister & bretheron soo doyng by the said Mr and brether, duryng ther said lyffes naturall, at the said chapell of Sanct Elyn's, I, the said Sir William, willith and moveth by this my Will, y^t^ the said Maister shall have during his lyeff naturall, for his waigges and sellery, of the issue3, rentes, and profittes of the landes afore putt in feoffment, yerely, at two feastes in the yere, y^t^ is to say at the fest of Pentecost and Martynmasse, by even porcions of the yere, iiij poundes x s., to be paid hym by the handes of the church maisters of Kirklethome and Wilton, for the tyme beyng, at the ferrest w^t^in viij dayes next after and immediatly folouing any of the said two feistes of Whitsonday and Martymasse; and if the other preist, beyng brother unto the saide Maister, to have to hym yerely also paid to his salarie and wages, at the said two feistes of Whitsonday and Martynmasse, of the landes afore putt in feoffment, foure poundes. Also I will y^t^ my feoffe3 and myn heires for ever do suffer the said kirkwardens of Kirklethome and of

Wilton to take, at the said two feistes of Whitsonday and Martynmes, of the fermes and occupiers of the landes afore put in feoffment, the issuez and revennewez of the same, to th'entent y^t^ the said M^r^ and brother may be trewly paid the said wages and sellarie, for the trew doyng of ther dewties and prayers at the said chapell of Sanct Elyn, duryng ther said lyves naturall.

Also I will y^t^, w^t^in the moneth next after my deth, my said feoffez shall maike, or cause to be maid, unto John Hudson, my servaunt, a sure, suffycient estate, for terme of his lyff, of landes and tenementes, parcell of the premissez, to the yerely clere valow of v merkes, over all charges; and, if noo such estate be maid w^t^in the said tyme, then I will y^t^ my said feoffez shall stand and be seasid of landes and tenementes, parcell of the premissez, to yerely clere valew of v markes to the use of the said John Hudson, for terme of his lyff.

And, further, I, the said Sir William, willith y^t^ ther shalbe at the said chapell of Sanct Elyn's fowre powre men and a woman, to dailly pray for me, my father, my mother, my wyff, and all oder my gud fryndes and lovers; the which I will shall have for ther salarie and wages ethre cloith, meit and drynk at the said chappell of Sanct Elyn's, or, at the lest, one peny to yche one of thame of the day; and the said peny to be paid thame by the Maister and brother, and by the syght of myn heires and churchwardens of Kirkelethome and of Wilton. And to th'entent that the said Mr and brother, and all other foure poure men and woman, may well serve God, & the wages to thame and to yche one of thame, according to th'entent and meanyng of me, the said Sir William, may be trewly paid and doyn, according to the same intent, I, the said Sir William, by this my Will gyffez unto the said M^r^ and brother, and foure powre men and woman of my said chappell of Sanct Elyn's, to the help of paying of ther sallaries and wages forty kye and ther calfes, the which kye and calfes, by the discrescion of my feoffez and the church wardens of Kirklethome and of Wilton, and by the ordenaunce of the Maister and brother of the chapell of Sanct Elyn's, I will the said kye be latten, and the encreas of the said kye I will it be taken by the discrecion of the churchwardens of Kirklethome and of Wilton, Maister and brother, and goo to the payment of wages and reparacions of lond, fynding lightes and wyne in the chapell of Sanct Elyn's, and other necessaries by the discrecion of my said feoffes, church wardens, Maister and brotheron of the said chapell of Sanct Elyn's. And, further, I will that my said feoffez, churchwardens of Kirklethome and Wilton, Maister and bretheron,

yerely, ons in the yere, take one hoill accompt of the revenues, rentes, and profittes of my landes putt in feoffment, and, also, of all thame that shall have the kye latten to thame, so y^t^ the somme of y^t^ shall extend over and above y^t^ that shall go to the payment of the Maister salarie, and his brother, preistes at the said chapell; and over and above the salarie for the fyndyng of the bretheren callid fower power men and a woman, may be taken and putt into one box, to the next yere folowing; and if y^t^ next yere will not extend to so mych as shall pay the sellery and wages abovesaid, and discharge all charges and reparacions, deth of cattell, lyghtes, wyne, and other necessaries, then, for that entent the same charges may be well discharged, I will the said overplus, when any such ther beyn, be taken, and by discrecion of my feoffeȝ, church wardens, Maister, and brother, I will y^al^ goo and discharge the selleries, wages of the Maister, broder, and foure powre men and a woman, and all other necessaries as by my said feoffeȝ, M^r^, and church wardens shal be thought resonable. Also I will y^t^ my said feoffeȝ, church wardens content and pay yerely unto William Hethyng, my servaunt. duryng his lyff naturall, xxx s. iiij d. Also I will that my said feoffes and churchwardens yerely content and pay unto my servaunt Stephen Ward, during his lyff naturall, xx s. Also I will y^t^ my said feoffeȝ and church wardens yerely content and pay unto my servaunt and godson, William Whorleton, during his lyff naturall, xx s.

And, further, I will that after my deith, when so ever it shall please God to call me to His mercye, and that it shall also please God that the Maister, brether, or any of the said fowre powre men and woman doo dye, that, w^t^in a moneth next after the deth off the said Maister, brother, or any of the said power men and woman, myn heire shall assigne one such M., brother or power man or woman, as then shall fortune to be deid; and if myn heire happen to be w^t^ in age at the deth of any of the said M^r^, brother, or power man or woman, or will not assigne or nayme such Maister, brother, or power man or woman, as then is deid, to th'entent y^t^ this my will may take effect, I will that, w^t^in thre days next after the moneth passeth next after such deth, and noyn putt in by myn heire, my feoffeȝ, church wardens of Kirklethome and Wilton, or any of thame, putt in one M^r^, brother, or powre man or woman, as so shall happen to be deid; and if the heire, feoffeȝ, churchwardens cannot agre of one Maister, brother, or power man to be putt in, then I will the Prior of Guy[s]borne, for the tyme beyng, shall putt in such Maister, brother, or powre man, or woman, as shall fortune to dye; and the said M^r^, brother or

powre man, or woman, so putt in by the said Prior of Guysborne, to be M., brother, or power man, or woman, and thereto pray and be by all his lyff, or hir lyff, at the said chapell of Sanct Elyn's. And when so ever it shall forton that thre, or two, of my said feoffe3 shall happen to over lyff the oder ther coeffeoffe3, that then the said thre, or two, of thame y^t doith over lyff, shall, at the request and desyre of the said Maister, brother, and fower powre men of the said chappell and ther successours, make, or cause to be maid, unto twolfe oder honest and substanciall persons one other new feoffment, of and in all the premisse3, thay to be therof seased to such lyke use and intent as is conteynd in thes present indentures; and so fro tyme to tyme, so oft as shall happen bot two or thre of the said feoffes to be on lyve, y^t a new feoffment to be had and maid in maner and forme as is abovesaid, to and for the use and intent in the said indentur mencioned and expressid. In witnes heroff, as well I, the said Sir William Bulmer, as Sir John Bulmer knyght, my son and heire, and Rauff Bulmer, son & heir of the said Sir John Bulmer, haith set to our seallis and suscribid our names, the xx^ti day of Septembre, the xx^ti yere of the reigne of our soverand lord Kyng Henry the viiij^th.

Robert Hathen, John Porter, Robert Marsk, Thomas Unthank, beidmen	Sir Robert Waid M. of the said chapell.
Agnes Haxthorp, beidwoman	Sir John Lynescaill, broder to the said Maister.

Willelmus Bulmer, John Bulmer, Rauff Bulmer.

[Pr. 4 Nov. 1531; adm. to the ex^rs, power being reserved to Mr. John Bulmer.]

CCXIX. THE WILL OF SIR JOHN ROCLIFF OF COLTHORPE, KNT.

[Reg. Test. xi. 181.]

In the name of God, Amen. The sexte daye of Decembre, in the yeare of our Lord God, m^lccccc^th xxxj^th, and in the xxiij^th yeare of the reigne of our soveraigne Lord, King Henry th'eight, I, John Roclyf,* of Colthorpe, knyght, beyng of hole mynd and perfyte remembrance, thankes bee to Almyghty God,

* A most interesting will, probably drawn up by one of the Grey Friars of York, who so largely benefited by it. Their hopes, however, were completely frustrated, as the will fell to the ground, probably through want of assets, and the executors refused to act.

The will of Sir Brian Rocliff of Cowthorpe has been printed already.

ordan and make thys my last will and testament in maner and forme folowing. That ys to saye, fyrst and principallie, I bequethe my saule unto Almyghtie God, and to our Blessed Ladye Hys modre, and to all the Holye Companye of heven, my bodye to bee buried in the Gray Frears churche w^t^in the cytye of Yorke, as nyghe unto my fader's grave as may convenientlye, on hys lyfte syde, opon the northe syde of the said churche. And I will that my executors cause the iiij Orders of Frears in Yorke, yf it please God w^t^in the cytye of Yorke to call me to Hys mercy, to bring my bodye to the Gray Frears churche within the said citie of Yorke; and, yf I decease in any odre place, than the said iiij Orders to mete my body at Holgaite, and bring it to the said Gray Frears, and that every of the said iiij Orders to have for there labours vj s. viij d., so that they syng *Placebo* and *Dirige*, and *Messe* of *Requiem* for my saull. Also I will that my executors orden sex wax candels, and every of theme bee of one pound weight at the leiste, and, also, vj torches, and xij poore men with gownes to bere the said candels and torches aboute my bodye at the *Dirige*, *Messe*, and buryall; and yche of the said poore men to have for there labors iiij d. Also I will that there bee done and saide Saincte Gregorye trentall of *Messes* at the Gray Frears in Yorke the daie of my buriall, for my soule and all Cristen soules. Also I will that my executors cause to bee ordened a dyner for my frendes the daye of my buryall, and also orden all odir thynges besydes thes here written tooching my funerall expenses, and all odre thinges concernyng the healthe of my saule to bee at the discrecione of my executors, as they shall thinke moste convenient for me. Also I will that my executors cause a throughe stone and one ymage of myself maide kneling undre the said ymage of the Trinitie, w^t^ one scripture for me, in perpetuall remembrance for me, w^t^in one yeare after the buryall. Also I bequethe to the person of Colthorpe churche xx s. of coyne, in recompence of all my tythes, offrandes, and dewtyes of the churche, unpaide and forgoton, or odre heraftre not payde according to my dewtye, desyryng hym humblye so to accepte theme, and to pray for my saule speciallye. And also I will that my coyte armour and my best beist with my horse harnes goe next byfore my bodye to the Gray Frears in Yorke the daye of my sepulture, and to bee offered to God at the altare next where I shall bee buryed. Also I will and bequeathe to every parishe w^t^in ij myles of Colthorpe vj s. viij d., wherof I will that the person, vicare, or paryshe preiste there resident in the same, have viij d., and every odre preste w^t^in hys paryshe iiij d., for the wyche I will, in as breve tyme after my departing

out of thys worlde as may convenientlie bee done, all the said prestes w^t^in every of there paryshe churche shall saye *Placebo*, *Dirige*, *Commendacions*, and *Messe of Requiem* for my soule and all Cristen soules, and the resydewe of the foresaid vj s. viij d. I will it shal bee distribute amonges the porest people of every of the sayde paryshes, by the discrecione of the curate of the churche and the churche wardons of the same; and the poore people of every of the said parishes to comme to there parishe churches in lyke maner to pray specialye for my soule and all Cristen soules. Also I will and stratelye charge my executors, as they will answere afore God, that Rauf, my beadman, have meite and drynke and clothe, as far as my goodes will suffre, duryng hys lyf naturall. Also where I have by my deade infeoffede Briane Palmes, William Bapthorpe, and odre my feoffes, in my landes in South Endsall, to th'use and performacione of my last will, shall frome hensforthe stand and bee seased in the said londes, to th'use and performance of thys my last will and testament. And whan it shall fortune there bee of my said feoffes lyving but ij or iij at the moste, than I will that those feoffes make a leace and sufficient estate by the lawe of the said londes to sex odre credeble persons, as shall bee deputed by the Wardon of the Gray Frears in Yorke than for the tyme beyng, to the said use & entent . . . . and so the said londes to bee for evermore . . to the saide use and entente, that ys to saye, that my saide feoffes, or there assignes, shall yearely receve and take the hole rentes . . and yearelie gyf theme to the Wardone of the Gray Frears in Yorke and the Convente of the same for tyme being, offringe uppe the said yearelie rentes and profettes to Almyghtie God at the highe altare within the said Gray Frears in Yorke; for the wiche rentes . . . I will that the said Wardone and hys successors every daye for evermore shall exhibite a brodre of the said house and Frears, at viij^th^ of the clocke in the mornyng every daie to saie *Messe*, and praye for my soule, and the soules of my fadre Briane Roclyf, and of Margarete, my wyf and hir fader soule, and for soules of my children and good frendes and all Cristen soules in lyke maner and forme as they doe at thys daye for my fader, whose soule God pardone. Also I will that those Frears that sayes that *Messe* shall have yearelye xx s., equallie distributed amonges theme, according to the composicione therof maid betwixt the saide Wardone w^t^ his Convent and me on that behalf; and the residew of the said yearlie rentes and profettes to bee bestowed in the reparacions of the said Gray Frears churche in Yorke. Item I will that he that sayeth the sayde *Messe* one wooke shall not saye

it agayne an odre weike, to his tourne and course come aboute, excepte it bee to supplye an odre course that for impotencie may not supplye it hymself; but that every Freare shall have hys tourne and course about, as it shall fortune. Also I will that the said Convent of the said Gray Frears, for evermore, every Tuysday, shall singe the *Antiphone* of *Jhesu* about my grave that ys songe on the Fridaie for my fader in the said Convent churche; after wiche *Antiphone* so songon, I will that the said Frears and Convent, bowyng and holdyng downe there hedes, wt a petuose voce sing thys verse, *Nunc, Criste, te petimus, miserere, quæsumus, qui venisti redimere perditos, noli dampnari redemptos.* And, anone, after that, than one of the yong Frears sing thys versicle *Quia per sanctam crucem tuam redemisti mundum*; and than one of the odre Frears to syng, *Oremus* with one *Collecte* according to the *Antiphone*, wt a perfecte ende of all the Frears concludyng, singing *Amen*: and, ymediatelye after, the Convent to saye thys Psalme, *De Profundis*, wt the Suffrage, and these Collectes, *Miserere*, and *Fidelium*, for my soule and all Cristen soules, concludyng wt *Requiescant in pace. Amen.*

Also I will that my feoffes suffre Richard Munketon, my servaunte, to receyve . . duryng hys lyfe x s. oute of my landes in Snaythe, Cowyke, now in the holdyng of one Palmer; and also ij s. out of Hensall, and after his decease . . my feoffes of and in my landes in Hensall, Cowyk and Snathe to . . . delyver the rentes yearelie to the Wardone and Convent of the Gray Frears . . My doughter Alice . . to receve the issues . . of iiij closes in Colthorpe, to the hole sum bee content and payd for the covenauntes of mariage and my fader's bequeste . . . . My exrs to receve the rentes . . of my landes in Hubie & Esyngwolde unto suche tyme as my said exrs haithe content and payed all suche summes of money as my dettes, legacyes, and funerall expenses shall admounte unto the daye of my buryall, wt all suche odre reasonable expenses and charges that my said exrs shal bee put to for the performacione of thys my last will and my fader bequest . . . . than to th'use of Briane Roclyf, and hys heyres for ever, upon thys condicione, that the said Briane ne hys wyf shall not interrupte, vexe, ne lette my executors or feoffes . . . .

And thys is my last will, full mynde and trewe intent that my dettes be payed ymediatelie after my departure frome this transitorie lyf, *Quia non dimittitur peccatum donec restituatur ablatum*, trusting that youe, yt bee my frendes in thys transitorie worlde, that youe will bee, rather, my better frendes whan my soule is departed frome my bodie, where I nather can,

ne maye, helpe my self, but shal bee at the wyll and pleasure of Almyghtie God, in to Whose handes I commend my soule. And I will that every one of my executors and supervisors of thys my last will and testament have of my goodes, for there busynes and labors about me, and for th'executione of thys my last will and testament, xxvj s. viij d. Also I will that the residew of my goodes, not bequested, after my dettes be payed and legacyes yeven, and my will and testament performed, bee at the disposicione of my executors for the weale of my soule, as they shall answere afore Almyghtye God at the dredefull daye of judgement. Also I will, ordane, and constitute, and make my welbeloved cosyng and faythfull, tristye frende, William Bapthorpe of Osgonbie, Esquyer, the supervisour of thys my last will and testament, trusting he will bothe supporte, ayde, and cause my executors of thys my last will and testament to performe the same. Also, in like maner, I will, orden, constitute and make my executors of thys my last will and testament, my welbeloved and faythfull fryndes I truste, William Thwaite of Marston esquyer, Robert Chaloner of Wekefelde man of lawe, jentleman, Georgium Palmes legum doctorem, Georgium Crakenthorpe in artibus magistrum, hertilie and faithefullie desyring youe that this my last will and testament may bee executed and performed to the true entent therof as my greate and faithefull tryste ys in youe; and that thys is my last will and true entent: in the wittenes therof, I, the saide abovenamed testator, Sir John Roclyf knyght, have set to this present testament and last will my seale of armes, the daie and yeare above written, theise beyng present and wittnes, Sr Richard Knaresburghe vicare of Whyxley, Sr George Lamb person of Copgrave, Ric' Munketon, Anthonye Rose gentleman, and odre moo.

Also I will that, my dettes and legacyes payed, that my executors deliver in to the handes of the heyres of Colthorpe haule one chales with patene doble gylte, one standing cuppe of sylver with cover doble gylte, havyng a knope in the toppe with blew enamelled, a flatte peice w^t cover duble gilte, with trasells upon the covering blewe enamelled, one basing of sylver percell gylte w^t an ewer white, and two cruettes of sylver percell gilte; and yf that my goodes besides thys plaite rehersed will not extende to the payment of my dettes and legacyes, than I will my executors sell thys plaite before rehersed to the payment of my dettes and performance of my legacyes.

[Adm. gr., as intestate, the ex^rs. renouncing, to Brian Rocliff of Colthorpe, Esq. 29 Sept. 1534.]

CCXX. THE INVENTORY OF ROBERT LOCKSMITH, VESTMENT MAKER, PAR. ST. MICHAEL-LE-BELFREY, YORK, MADE DEC. 11, 1531.

[Ex. Orig. penes Dec. & Capit. Ebor.]

INTER ALIA. A baisinge withe Adam & Eve, & one ewar withoute lyde, xx d. A baisinge w^t^ ye rose of it, & th'ewar, ij s. A tub, a hogeshed w^t^ other trumperie, viij d. A paire of tent bealmes, vj d.

DEBITA. To William Wilson, for a paire of silver beides, xl s.; ij baissinges, ij lavers, & ij greate candilstikes, of sevyn grotes of a coppill, xlvj s. viij d. To Mr Gabriell Warkcope, for iij yerdes of Burges satan, vij s. To Alys Legh, somtyme wife to Michaell Makarell, for fienge hemmyngis of broderie, xxvj s. viij d. To Alan Aise, servante to the Duke of Somerset, xj li. v s. To John Weteman, for ij paire of cork shone, xx d. To William Tailbus, for the warkmanshipe of a littil darke tawnye gowne, viij d., & for iij blak-lamskynnys viij d.; & for a pursell of shankes, & v caulinge of shankes, ij s. vj d.—iij s. x d. To Natal Moralx for horse-meate & manne's meate y^t^ he laide for his servante in the countre, & for bokes y^t^ he sende to Biland abbay; & for hay & fagotes, iiij s. iiij d. To Agnes Hilton, cremet of Sancte Leonarde's, in lente monye, xvj s. vj d. To Sir Richarde Dawson, chanon of Shappe abbay, for a masor, liij s. iiij d.

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